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# THE LAMP

A CATHOLIC MONTHLY DEVOTED TO CHURCH UNITY AND MISSIONS

For Sion's sake I will not hold my Peace, and for the sake of Jerusalem I will not rest until the JUST ONE comes forth as Brightness, and her SAVIOUR be lighted as a Lamp.—Isaias, lxii. 11.

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## GRAYMOOR'S SILVER JUBILEE

For once The Lamp has laid aside its dull brown dress, and arrayed itself in white garments trimmed with Our Lady's blue to commemorate the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the Coming of the Reverend Mother Lurana Mary Francis into the Graymoor Valley on December 15th, 1898, to make a Foundation for the Sisters of the Atonement.

It was at once an act of heroism and faith. So lonely was this Graymoor Valley, and so sparsely inhabited that several years before when the Rector of the Episcopal Church at Garrison built a mission chapel in the said valley, it was called *Saint John's-in-the-Wilderness!* She came with only one companion in the depth of winter to occupy a house that was hardly more than a barn, solitary, dreary and desolate in the extreme.

The foundation made on that eventful day was not alone of vital import to the Sisters of the Atonement, but for the Friars and the Tertiaries, in fact the entire Society of the Atonement, as it has since developed, and will, as we have no doubt, still further develop in the future years. We are confident, therefore, that all Readers of THE LAMP who have learned to love Graymoor, and more particularly the Tertiaries, the Rosarians, and the Members of the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost*, all of whom, to a greater or less degree, constitute the Society of the Atonement, will rejoice with us at Graymoor in this Silver Jubilee.

You will read with pleasure the description in Graymoor Annals of how the Jubilee Day itself was celebrated, and we particularly direct your attention to the extract reprinted from "the Origin and History of the Society of the Atonement" by H. Christopher Watts, which tells with some detail the incidents of that first winter at Graymoor and what took place the following Spring and Summer.

The Editor of The Lamp does not profess to be a prophet, but the letter he wrote to the Sisters on the occasion of the laying of the corner stone of their present Convent, and which is contained in this account of Mr. Watts, draws a picture of the future development of the Society of the Atonement, which, after twenty-five years has been to some extent already realized and the prospect of its further realization in the years to come is certainly now very much brighter, and more in evidence than at the time when the letter was written.

Truly it was a mustard seed which Mother Lurana planted in Graymoor soil, and already the Society has developed into a vigorous sappling which year by year is spreading its branches further and taking on the dimensions increasingly of what we believe will be some day a great tree, lodging within its broad expanse the fowls of the air.

The membership of the Society at the present time is as follows:

In the First Congregation there are 3 Priests (Professed), 2 Priests (Novices), 5 Professed Lay-Brothers, 9 Novice Clerics, 1 Novice Lay-Brother, 4 Postulants (Lay-Brothers). There are also 2 Tertiary Priests, beside the student body. All told, we now have seven Priests and 44 studying for the Priesthood.

In the Second Congregation there are 46 Sisters, 15 Novices, 12 Postulants and 10 Tertiary Sisters distributed among seven Houses in various parts of the country, making a total of 83 in the Second Congregation.

The Members of the Third Congregation living in the world now numbers one thousand, whereas the combined membership of the *Rosary League of Our Lady of the Atonement* and the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost* aggregates one hundred thousand.

The two foundations of the Friars thus far are the Mother House—St. Paul's Friary, Graymoor, Garrison, N. Y., and the Friary directed by Father Anselm, S. A., and two Brothers in Hereford, Texas. To these will be added soon a House for Seminarians on the "Vineyard" Property in Washington, D. C.

The Houses conducted by the Sisters include—the Mother House and Novitiate at Graymoor; St. Clare's and St. Cecelia's Settlement Houses in New York City; St. Simon's House in Philadelphia; St. Francis' House in Hereford, Texas, and St. Joseph's House in Roswell, Ohio; and last but not least the Mt. Carmel House of Retreats in Washington, D. C., where under the direction of the Carmelite Fathers the first National Novena to the Little Flower in America was established early in the past year.

There have been two world-wide and internationally known accomplishments of Graymoor and the Society of the Atonement, viz: the extension by Papal Brief of the Church Unity Octave, which originated at Graymoor, to the Universal Church; and the beneficial results accruing to Catholic Missions in all parts of the world because of the hundreds of thousands of dollars dispensed to them by this Society in the past few years.

We ask not only the prayers and good wishes of our Readers, but your cooperation with us in multiplying ever more and more the Children of the Atonement.

## LATEST ENCYCLICAL OF HOLY FATHER RELATIVE TO THE RE-UNION OF EASTERN ORTHODOX WITH HOLY SEE.

The third centenary of the Martyrdom of St. Josaphat, Archbishop of the Ruthenian Diocese of Polotsk was made the occasion for the publication of a Papal Encyclical asking for prayers that the Oriental rites may be brought back to communion with the Holy See.

In the first part of the encyclical, the Holy Father expresses sorrow because of the unhappy vicissitudes of fortune which separated the Oriental and Roman Church, and expresses his admiration and praise for the many Oriental dioceses, which remained faithful to Rome notwithstanding the schism. Such faithfulness, the Pope recalls, in the case of St. Josaphat, was consecrated by martyrdom. The saint devoted his entire life to promoting the ideal of the re-union of the Eastern and the Latin rites.

In the second part of the document His Holiness laments the continued separation of so many of the Eastern Slavs from the Roman Church. Surely, he says, St. Josaphat prays for those who suffer this moral deprivation so that, after so many calamities, gifts of divine grace may descend upon them, and the Slavs' liturgy may again be heard in the Catholic Church.

Following the example set by the late Pope Benedict XV, His Holiness expresses his desire to continue aid for the unfortunate Slavs, and recommends them to St. Josaphat. Mentioning the latter's devotion to the Madonna of the Fields, the Pope urges all Catholics to pray that Mary will bring back the Russian people to the Roman fold, where the Church is neither national nor limited, but oecumenical, Catholic and universal. In it, he says, adherents of Greek, Slav, Syriac, Copt, Armenian and Chaldean rites, provided they are united with the Apostolic See, form a single family together with the Latin rite.

**As our labors are of no avail unless the blessing of Heaven is on them, let us pray our Lord Jesus Christ, who called into being and sealed with his Blood the universal brotherhood of the human race, that He may harmonize the minds and wills of all with such perfection of concord that all the Children of the Church may be one among themselves as He is One with the Father.**

**Pope Pius X**

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### A Greek Pastoral Re Church Unity Octave

Anthony Macrioniti
By the grace of God and of the Holy See
Bishop of Syra

To the Rev. Pastors, Priests and Directors of churches, and to all thy faithful of our Diocese, peace and blessing.

Taking into consideration a petition addressed to us from America, and wishing at the same time to conform our self with the desire of the Holy Father, We give the following regulations concerning public prayers which are to be said in our Diocese for the conversion of Protestants of the new world.

(1) Every priest, during three days, i. e. the 22nd, 23rd, and 24th of January, must recite, after the holy Mass, one Pater, one Ave Maria and one Gloria, with this versus "Vias tuas Domine demonstra nobis. Et semitas tuas edoce nos" and this oration "Deus, qui errata corrigis, et dispersa congregas, et congregata conservas; quaesimus, super populum christianum tuae unionis gratiam clementer infunde; ut, divisione rejecta, vero pastori Ecclesiae tuae se uniens tibi digne valeat famulari. Per Christum Dnum nostrum. Amen."

(2) On January 25th, feast of St. Paul's Conversion, benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is to be held in all the churches and at the hour fixed by the Pastor or the Director of every church.

(3) The above mentioned regulations must be read and announced to the faithful on next Sunday.

Anthony Marcioniti
Bishop of Syra

Marc Sigala, Priest
Diocesan Chancellor

# MULTUM IN PARVO

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The inhabitants of Montmartre had a great surprise recently when the automobile of the Cardinal-Archbishop of Paris drew up before a large motion picture theatre and the Cardinal and three prelates entered to view the presentation of a new film. A special invitation had been sent to Cardinal Dubois to witness the performance of a film entitled *The Tragedy of Lourdes*, the work of the well-known historian George d'Esparbes, conservator of the Palace of Fontainebleau. It describes the conversion of an atheistic father whose paralyzed daughter is miraculously cured at Lourdes.

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In an article on the attitude of the Chinese toward the priesthood, published by the Bulletin of the Society of Saint Peter the Apostle, the Chinese Jesuit Father Francois-Xavier Tchao, writes that there are now 1,002 native Chinese priests. In twenty years the number of native priests has doubled, almost trippled he says.

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The Russian Church observed Christmas this year on the same day with the rest of the Christian world. Archbishop Tikhon had issued a proclamation accepting the Gregorian calendar, following correspondence with officials of the church in Greece. The Gregorian calendar was adopted by the civil authorities of Russia several months ago. Thus do signs multiply that the prayers for unity are preparing the way for its realization.

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Catholics throughout the world have been asked to aid in carrying to completion the erection of the International Votive Church of the Sacred Heart which is being erected in the Eternal City as a world monument of peace among the nations. The crypt of the church has been consecrated and the whole project has been approved by Pope Pius XI, who also extended his blessing to the promoters and contributors to the work. Erection of the church was begun largely on the initiative of Pope Benedict XV.

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Stratford-on-Avon, Shakespeare's town, saw something of its ancient Catholic glory repeated on the Sunday following the mayoral elections in England, when the Catholic Mayor of Stratford proceeded through the streets in full civic state to attend High Mass in the church dedicated to England's Apostle, St. Gregory the Great.

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The Sharon Baptist Church, of Baltimore, Md., has made a special good-will offering to the Cardinal Gibbons Institute of $40. The congregation is colored. Rev. Beale Elliott is the pastor.

A competitive examination for the graduate scholarships established by the Knights of Columbus in the Catholic University will be held May 3, according to announcement by Monsignor Edward A. Pace, director of studies. Applications are to be filed with the university before March 15.

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The memory of Father Marquette was commemorated in Chicago on Dec. 8th on the 250th anniversary of his landing in Chicago, by thousands of children, in ceremonies at the intersection of Michigan Boulevard and the Chicago river, the site of Father Marquette's landing place in the fall of 1673, the site of his residence, established the following year, and the scene of the first Mass celebrated by the great missionary in Chicago, now the home of more than 1,250,000 Catholics, and the see of one of the greatest archbishoprics in the world. The Alliance Francaise, the Chicago Historical Society and the Catholic and other schools sponsored the tribute, during which flowers were scattered on the river.

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Under the direction of Cardinal O'Connell, priests who are supervising or who have been in charge of the various departments of the diocese, are writing a series of articles on their departments, showing the progress and growth of the archdiocese for the past 16 years.

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Rev. M. J. Murphy, Chaplain of the Massachusetts State Prison, addressed several hundred persons at the K. of C. Hall on "Life Behind Prison Walls." Father Murphy spoke strongly in favor of preventative measures on the part of social and welfare workers, and asked for more humane treatment of inmates after their release, by society in general.

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Catholic hospitals and the sisters conducting them in Chicago and other parts of the country, are declared to have suffered much through rival work and adverse propaganda of the KuKlux, according to the Hospital authorities in Chicago. Campaigns for funds, projected by several sisterhoods for their hospital work are declared to have been abandoned because of this adverse propaganda. This is a situation new in Chicago, where the sisters' hospitals have been among the leading institutions, and have been given united support by all classes and creeds.

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"The fame of the Fenwick Club of Cincinnati has reached our ears," writes Cardinal Cagliero, of Rome, in a letter received by Msgr. Charles E. Baden, founder and manager of the club, last month.

His Eminence requests information which may enable him "to do something similar in Rome." While on a visit to the eternal city last summer, Msgr. Baden had an audience with Pope Pius who is interested in social welfare work among boys and young men. He was also accorded an audience with Cardinal Fruhwirth, during which the organization and management of the club was discussed in detail.

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In his Christmas letter to the clergy and laity of the Arch-diocese of St. Louis, Archbishop Glennon deals with the needs of Kenrick Seminary. He discloses that the bonded debt on that institution has been reduced by $45,000 during the past year, but points out that additional bonds totalling more than $200,000 mature March 1, 1924. He expressed the hope that it will be possible to meet this obligation in full at maturity.

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The Oberammergau Players' Exhibition opened at the Grand Central Palace, New York, on Saturday, Dec. 15th, and continued for two weeks. For many months every household in Oberammergau had centered its life around preparations for the American visit. A picked delegation of twenty Players, including Anton Lang, famous for his performance of the role of the Christus, Andreas Lang, Sr. who impersonates Peter, Guido Mayr, whom hundreds of thousands have seen as Judas and others were of the number.

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Father E. J. Galvin reports that during the twelve months ending in the early fall of this year 2,057 Chinese converts were baptized in the missionary district committed to the Fathers of St. Columban. This brings the number of Catholics in the area up to 14,719. The Columbian missionaries have set up 138 schools at which 4,072 pupils attend. A large number of pagan boys are flocking to the High School at Han Yang. The three medical missionaries report a very busy year.

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One of the most interesting publications of the day is that of the portrait of the Scottish martyr, Ven. John Ogilvie, S. J., which has been issued by the Scottish Martyrs Committee, a body of experts charged by the Hierarchy of Scotland to prosecute the Cause of the Glasgow martyr. The portrait in question, which depicts Father John Ogilvie in a Jesuit's gown and cloak, his hands clasped in prayer and the hangman's rope twined about his neck, was discovered by a Father of the English Benedictine Congregation in the parish church of St. Giles, at Pequincourt in France.

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The London Dominicans of Haverstock Hill had Cardinal Bourne as their guest, for the celebration of the 700th anniversary of the foundation of the Dominican monastery of Blackfriars. Of this famous house, alas, nothing remains but the name. The publishing offices of the Times stand on the site, and doubtless some fragments of the foundations still exist underground, but the great priory itself is now no more than a name and a memory.

There is every reason to hope that France's first post-war legislature will not come to the end of its term without having seen that the Church receives its proper legal status. The text of the discussions between the Holy See and the Republic are being published, and it will show that the Church of France can henceforth find those guarantees which are necessary both to her religious and moral as well as her material needs.

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Recent religious happenings in France have alarmed the die-hard anti-clericals, and accordingly the cry has been set up of a "clerical mobilization." But what has alarmed the radicals is not a movement with any political significance, but simply a manifestation of profound Catholic sentiment in France. Two great religious ceremonies were held recently, one at Lisieux in Normandy, the other at Betharram at the foot of the Pyrenees, where pilgrims thronged in their thousands to venerate Blessed Teresa and Blessed Michael Garicolts.

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His Holiness proposed to hold a Secret Consistory on December 20, according to the **Osservatore Romano,** to be followed on December 23 by the Public Consistory. At the moment nothing definite is known about the creation of new Cardinals; but it is said that the Sacred College will be augmented, and that two of the new Cardinals will be Spanish.

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Cardinal Bourne's reference to Sir Herbert Samuel, when speaking on the relations between the Catholics and the Jews in England, at the annual conference of the Catholic Guild of Israel, gives publicity to an opinion that has been known privately for long. The contemptuous description of the High Commissioner of Palestine as "Sir Herbert Samuel and his Jew Coreligionists," as one of the Continental clerical journals inelegantly put it, is not an attitude of mind that is shared in the highest quarters at the Vatican. Cardinal Bourne, who is not only very outspoken but also very fair, finds himself able to speak of the High Commissioner as one of the real friends of the Catholic Church in Great Britain.

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Rome—Cardinal Gasparri has written a letter to all the diocesan bishops of Italy, which will, it is believed, put a stop to the trafficking on ecclesiastical objects that has robbed the country of some of its finest art treasures. Many of the priests are from time to time persuaded by artful dealers and others to part with their ecclesiastical treasures; in many cases fraud and guile have been employed by unscrupulous treasure seekers.

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The question of continuing Catholic relief work in Russia will be submitted to the Vatican by Father Walsh, who has left Moscow for Rome for that purpose. Disagreement between Father Walsh and the Soviet Committee for liquidation of the famine on the terms of the contract under which the Catholic relief workers were to proceed, has raised the question.

## PERSONALS

A remarkable religious incident occurred a few weeks ago in Paris when Mgr. Chaptal, the titular Bishop of Isionda, whose special work is amongst foreign visitors, admitted to full membership in the Catholic Church the Archimandrite Serge Dabitch. Mgr. Dabitch, who holds the Doctorate of both Law and Theology, was for six years chaplain at the Russian Legation in Greece, where he was accredited as representative of the Russian Orthodox Church.

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A long file of young athletes, preceded by innumerable flags, accompanied the coffin at the burial of Doctor Michaux, President of the Federation Gymnastique at Sportive des Patronges de Francais, the man who initiated the powerful movement in favor of sports among the Catholic youth of France. There are few men who have done so much for the youth of a country as Dr. Michaux, the son of a surgeon, who was born at Metz, where he went to school with the future Marshal Foch.

The Armistice, the fifth anniversary of which was celebrated in November, was signed on the day of the Feast of Saint Martin, Bishop of Tours, who is one of the patrons of France. A Catholic paper, in pointing out this coincidence, also brought to notice the fact that in the crpyt of the Basilica of Saint Martin, at Tours, among the numerous ex-votos placed on the walls, there is a small marble tablet bearing these simple words:

To St. Martin
Foch, Marshal of France,
November 11, 1918.

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The Rev. Daniel A. Lord, S. J., has been directed to write the pageant for the twenty-eighth International Eucharistic Congress which will be held in Chicago in 1926. Catholic playwrights throughout the world contested for the distinction of writing the pageant for the first congress to be held in this country. Father Lord, who is a member of the faculty of St. Louis University, recently completed a pageant entitled "The Pageant of Youth," which has been staged at Loyola University.

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Soon after New Year's, Bishop Morris of Little Rock will invest Roger O'Dwyer, of Texarkana, Ark., with the uniform of the Knight of St. Gregory the Great. Mr. O'Dwyer will be the first recipient of this papal favor in the diocese. The investiture will take place in St. Andrew's Cathedral.

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Rev. Xavier Sutton, C. P. noted missionary observed the fiftieth anniversary of his entrance into the community on December 2, by being celebrant of High Mass in Holy Cross Church, Cincinnati. Father Sutton is a native of Cincinnati and has been stationed at Holy Cross Monastery for some time. He entered the community in Pittsburgh in 1873.

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Unusual academic distinction has been achieved by Sister Mary Raphael, of Birmingham Convent, a native of Mount Charles, Ireland, at the University of St. Andrews, Scotland, where she has been awarded the degree of licentiate in arts. Sister Raphael received the degree, which is difficult to obtain and rarely awarded, with double honors.

The step-daughter of the late Lord Morley is a nun in High Park Convent, Dublin. While in Dublin as Chief Secretary he frequently visited her. He often also attended Mass. Although a non-Catholic he was greatly attracted by the ceremonies of the Catholic Church. In his will he bequeathed $5,000 to his step-daughter, the nun, "as a mark of my attachment."

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Several bequests to religion were contained in the will of Mrs. Sarah S. Mackin filed in New York. Mrs. Mackin, known as the Princess Spottiswood-Mackin, received the title of Countess from Pope Leo and was made a Princess by Pope Benedict XV for her work for Catholic charities. Cardinal Vannutelli is named as heir to the property of Princess Spottiswood-Mackin in Rome, excepting money, laces, securities and jewelry. Other bequests included $1,000 to St. Patrick's Cathedral and $500 to the Catholic church in Troy, Mo.

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Maximilian Schneiderhahn, known throughout the country for nearly fifty years as a sculptor of art works for the adornment of Catholic churches and institutions is dead. He was 79 years of age. Funeral services, with High Mass of Requiem, were held on Tuesday in St. Mary's Church, Third and Gratiot, of which he had been a parishioner for over half a century, or since coming to St. Louis in 1870.

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The Right Rev. Msgr. John E. Burke, Director-General of the Catholic Board for Mission Work among the Colored People, this month celebrates the fortieth anniversary of his labors among the negroes of this country.

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One of Belgium's most notable churchmen, Mgr. E. Keesen, has just died at the ripe age of 82. Elected to the Senate in 1894, Mgr. Keesen was the oldest member of that assembly.

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The Rev. Anselm M. Mueller, O. F. M., 85 years old, the oldest priest in the Franciscan order in this country, died at Joliet, Illinois, on Dec. 3d. Father Mueller who had been rector of Quincy College was a priest for sixty-one years.

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According to information received from Rome, the Patriarchate of the West Indies, vacant by the death of the late Bishop of Sion, has been conferred on the Right Rev. Don Julian de Diego Garica Alcolea, Dean of the Chapels Royal and Vicar-General of the Spanish Army.

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By the death of Mr. Patrick Louis Beazley, editor since 1884 of the Catholic Times, the Catholic press of Great Britain loses its editorial grand old man. Not that Mr. Beazley was old, as years go—he was in his 64th year. But his tenure of office as a Catholic editor was certainly longer than that of any of his peers in Great Britain—perhaps also in Ireland as well.

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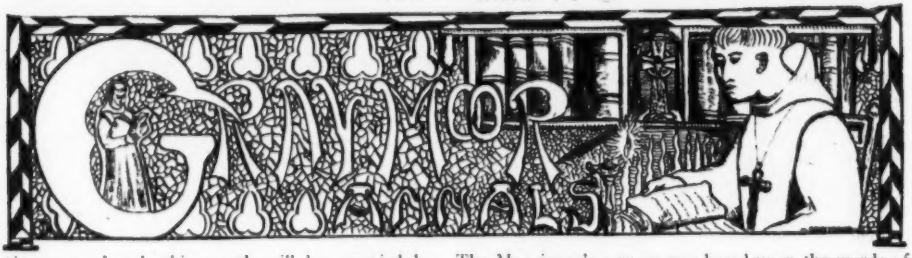
Don Lorenzo Perosi, former Maestro of the Sistine and one of the greatest composers of the day, has returned to sacred composition, and nothing more is heard of his leanings towards the Waldensians or joining the Church of England. The maestro's health has recovered, and he is now busily engaged on his great work of setting the whole Psalter to music, to which he devotes two hours daily at actual composition.




Graymoor Annals this month will be occupied by ONE THING, viz, GRAYMOOR'S SILVER JUBILEE commemorating the Coming of Mother Lurana Mary Francis into the Graymoor Valley twenty-five years ago on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, December 15th.

The Celebration began with Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the Sisters' Convent Chapel on the evening of December 14th. Very Rev. Mathias Faust, O. F. M. Provincial of the Friars Minor, Province of the Holy Name, gave Benediction assisted by Rev. Father Van Sever, T. S. A. and Frater Bonaventure, S. A. as Deacon and Sub-Deacon.

The Altar in the little Chapel of Our Lady of the Angels never looked more beautiful with its handsomely embroidered frontal and the profusion of lilies and roses.

There was a High Mass in the Sisters' Chapel on the morning of December 15 at 6:30, the Celebrant being the Father Minister, S. A. At 9:30 St. John's Church was filled with a devout and happy Congregation of worshippers at the Solemn High Mass, the Celebrant being the Very Reverend Provincial of the Friars Minor. Rev. Joseph De Samber, S. A. was Deacon, and Rev. Salvator di Giovanni, S. A. Sub-Deacon.

The sermon was preached by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Richard Barry-Doyle, representing Bishop Calavassy, Catholic Ordinary of Constantinople and all Greece. The Monsignor's sermon was based upon the words of Christ in the Sermon on the Mount: "*Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His justice, and all these things shall be added unto you.*"

He dwelt upon the motive which urged the Reverend Jubilarian to leave her home and her kindred, and to come into the lonely Graymoor Valley amid the deep snows and severe cold of the winter to take up her abode in a barn-like house because impelled to "seek first the Kingdom of God" and the Salvation of Souls.

He spoke very eloquently of how after twenty-five years of entire consecration to her holy ideals, she was already seeing the fulfillment of the Divine Promise in the wonderful growth and expansion, not only of her immediate Congregation of Sisters, but of the entire Society of the Atonement, the influence of which had gone forth unto all lands, and the praise thereof unto the ends of the earth.

**St. Francis' Convent and St. John's Church With the Shrine of Our Lady in the Foreground.**

Letters were read of blessing and congratulation to the Jubilarian from His Excellency, Monsignor Fumasoni-Biondi, Apostolic Delegate; His Grace, Most Rev. Patrick J. Hayes, Archbishop of New York; Rt. Rev. Joseph H. Conroy, Bishop of Ogdensburg and Rt. Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Lavelle, Rector of St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, who intended to be present, but was prevented by the funeral of a prominent member of the Cathedral parish.

After Mass, Papal Benediction was given by the Provincial of the Franciscan Holy Name Province, and the Te Deum was sung very impressively in English by the Friars and Sisters of the Atonement.

Dinner was served to the visiting clergy in Our Lady's Hostel at twelve o'clock, the Rev. Edward J. Higgins, Pastor of the Church of the Assumption, Peekskill, and the Rev. William P. Dooley, Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, Cold Spring, being among the number present. The Capuchins were represented by Rev. Brother Paschal Gordon, O. M. Cap.

At two o'clock in the afternoon the finest *Gaudeamus* ever given by the Friars and Students took place in honor of the occasion in "Bethlehem."

Besides the selections played by the Graymoor Orchestra, there were violin, piano, and vocal solos and duets, all of them being rendered in an exceptionally excellent manner.

Msgr. Barry-Doyle concluded the first part of the program, to the great delight of the audience, by reciting: "The Green Eye of the Yellow God," Longfellow's "Arsenal," "The Hindoo Paradise," and two humorous Irish selections.

Part two of the program was concluded by a one-act play by three of the Novices entitled: "Our Father." This also was received with great enthusiasm and applause by the audience.

Refreshments followed the entertainment, and the day was concluded by Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at four o'clock in the Convent Chapel, and at eight o'clock in St. Francis Church on the Mount of the Atonement.

The beautiful vestments worn at the Jubilee Mass were the gift to the Jubilarian of Miss Catherine Sewering of New York.

The Rev. Mother was the recipient of many other tokens of love and esteem, particularly the offerings sent in from far and near towards the erection of an addition to Our Lady's Hostel, which is to serve as a Special Memorial of the Jubilee. These offerings are still coming in, and we trust will continue to come in until the amount needed for the memorial has been fully subscribed. We shall have more to say about this in future numbers of The Lamp.

A Special Gift that the Mother Jubilarian particularly appreciated was a set of splendid photographs taken by an expert landscape photographer, which will be a permanent record to show the wonderful material developments at Graymoor since Mother Lurana came into this part of the Hudson Highlands twenty-five years ago. We are illustrating somewhat this feature of development by the pictures printed in this number of The Lamp.

Besides the Dimond House and St. John's Church, there was nothing else in the vicinity twenty-five years ago, except a small country schoolhouse and the farm buildings of the Byrnes brothers, two bachelor farmers living nearly midway between the Dimond House and the Church. The picture we give of the group of Community Buildings at present, show that they constitute almost a village in themselves. In the next Lamp we shall endeavor to give illustrations of this group of buildings taken at a different standpoint and at closer range.

**The Insert Shows Convent and Church in 1899—The Larger Picture, the Present Group.**

## SPECIAL CABLE FROM THE PATRIARCH OF CHALDEA

The following cablegram from His Beatitude Emmanuel Thomas the Second, Patriarch of Chaldea, has just been received by Mr. J. C. Walsh, General Secretary of the Chaldean Rescue, 503 Fifth Avenue, New York:

**"We have received the thousand dollars for Mass intentions cabled by the Chaldean Rescue for Christmas. Kindly convey to our benefactors in America our grateful thanks for their remembrance and support and our cordial greetings and blessing for the Holy feasts of Christmas and New Years."**

## GRAYMOOR BURSES

*We stated last month that our students inaugurated during the month of November an intensive drive, both of prayer and effort, to complete the St. Francis Xavier Burse by December 3rd, the first anniversary of its commencement.*

*They did not succeed in completing the Burse, but our Readers will notice that the result of their efforts has forced it forward over the heads of the Holy Spirit, Our Lady of the Atonement, Sacred Heart, and John Reid Burses, so that it now occupies the* FIRST PLACE *on the list.*

*If their Faith had been stronger, and their united prayers more compelling, the victory achieved would have been complete; but it is something, at least, to have placed their own particular Burse at the head of the list, and we congratulate the Student Body, and recommend their efforts to the goodwill of our Readers generally so that by your united cooperation St. Francis Xavier Burse will continue its position at the head of the list until entirely completed.*

*The other Burses have remained in their relative places with the exception that the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Souls Burses have moved up one point each, and St. William's three points. St. Patrick's Burse has climbed one point and no longer foots the list. May it continue to climb.*

### COMPLETED BURSES

**The Sacred Heart Burse No. 1; St. Peter's, St. Francis' No. 1; St. Anthony's No. 1; St. Agnes', The Poor Souls.**

### BURSES NOT COMPLETED

**(1) St. Francis Xavier Burse:** Since last report 428 persons have contributed $663.80. Grand Total: $1,694.76.

**(2) Holy Spirit Burse:** Mrs. N. B. C., 25c; M. S., $2; Total: $1,682.75.

**(3) Our Lady of the Atonement:** Mrs. J. O'R., $6; Mrs. C., $1; Miss C. A. C., $5; K. L. R., $1; Mrs. R. P., $1; E. E. H., $2; Total: $1,306.47.

**(4) Sacred Heart:** Mrs. D. J. McD., $5; G. K., $1; B. J. F., $2.50; Mrs. G., $1; E. C., $3; R. M. D., 50c; Mrs. N. B. C., 25c; Mrs. D. J. L., $1; J. McG., $1; R. J. B., 50c; Total: $1,260.17.

**(5) John Reid:** M. S., $1; Mrs. M. McD., $2; L. H., $3; Miss L. H., $7; F. A. W., $2.87; Mrs. C. C., $1; Total: $1,072.72.

**(6) St. Anthony's:** Miss M. D., $1; E. L., $2; Mrs. N. B. C., 25c; Mrs. J. G., $5; Mrs. M. C., $3; Mrs. R. P., $1; Total: $850.66.

**(7) Little Flower:** C. D., $1; Mrs. K. M., $1; Mrs. F. J., $1; Mrs. N. B. C., 25c; Mrs. R. P., $1; Total: $744.68.

**(8) Sts. Simon and Jude:** Miss. C. A. C., $1; M. G., $5; Total: $481.92.

**(9) St. Joseph's:** Miss A. M., $10; G. K. S., Jr., $2; J. H. M., $1; Total: $361.60.

**(10) Our Lady of Perpetual Help:** P. O'N., $1; Total: $301.50.

**(11) The Immaculate Conception:** Mrs. N. B. C., 25c; Total: $265.25.

**(12) St. Ann's:** Miss M. D., $1; Miss M. D., $1; Total: $241.25.

**(13) St. Rita's:** F. P., $1; Mrs. Y., $1; Mrs. M., $1; Mrs. F. F., $1; G. K. S., $1; Total: $225.

**(14) St. Vincent's:** Total: $168.00.

**(15) St. John the Baptist:** Total: $119.00.

**(16) St. Paul's:** Total: $117.50.

**(17) Hope:** Total: 117. 01.

**(18) Blessed Sacrament:** M. C. M., $5; Total: $92.

**(19) Holy Family:** Total: $88.50.

**(20) Holy Face:** Total: $81.

**(21) St. Francis' (No. 2):** Total: $74.25.

**(22) Holy Souls:** Mrs. N. B. C., 25c; Mrs. M. G., $1; Mrs. T. C., $10; Total: $68.25.

**(23) St. William's:** L. W., $17; Total: $68.

**(24) Our Lady of Lourdes:** Total: $58.18.

**(25) St. Margaret Mary:** Mrs. O., $4; Total: $55.50.

**(26) Thy Kingdom Come:** Total: $55.

**(27) St. Nicholas:** Total: $50.

**(28) Our Lady of Victory:** Total: $48.50.

**(29) Precious Blood:** Mrs. J. M., $1; Total: $42.

**(30) St. Joan of Arc:** G. K. S., $1; B. N., $1; Total: $32.

**(31) St. Patrick's:** Mrs. F. F., $5; Total: $25.

**(32) Five Wounds:** Total: $21.50.

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### JOHN REID BURSE TESTIMONIALS

**F. J. M., St. Louis, Mo.:** "I am enclosing five dollars for the John Reid Burse which I promised if something that was causing me trouble would pass over without an operation, as the trouble was such that no medicine would cure it I read in The Lamp that some had received favors through his intercession, so I also asked John Reid to intercede for me. I told him I would surely write you if I was helped."

**M. H., Swissvale, Pa.:** "I am sending you a check for three dollars in thanksgiving for a special favor obtained through prayer. I promised Two Dollars to the John Reid Burse for the return of a deposit on a property which I had received in full. I will send the balance of four dollars soon."

**A. C. McN., Watertown, N. Y.:** "I am enclosing check for $5.00 for the John Reid Burse which I promised in thanksgiving for the sale of a very undesirable house in a location where property did not sell very fast."

**L. W. H „Waterbury, Conn.:** "Please find enclosed seven dollars for the John Reid Burse in thanksgiving for favor received through his intercession. I promised this offering, also to have it published in The Lamp."

**Mrs. McD., Cincinnati, O.:** "Enclosed find Two Dollars for John Reid Burse in thanksgiving for favor received."

**E. K., Spokane:** "Please find enclosed $10.00 for the John Reid Burse in thanksgiving for two favors received. I promised if I was cured of ecsema I would give $5.00 to the John Reid Burse. Thank God I am almost entirely well. The other favor was the saving of a tooth. Please publish in The Lamp."

**W. D., Halifax, N. S.:** "Enclosed find Five dollars for the John Reid Burse for favors received."

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### OIL, WINE, WAFER AND CANDLE FUND

**Mrs. J. C., Brooklyn, N. Y.:** "Will you please accept this small offering ($2.00) for your Oil, Wine, Wafer and Candle Fund? I am sending this in honor of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar that my greatest desire may be granted."

**Mrs. E. A. B., Norwood, Mass.:** "I send the enclosed offering for the Oil, Wine, Wafer and Candle Fund in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus."

## STUDENTS' BREAD FUND

The report published below by the Treasurer of receipts for the month of November indicates that unless December contributions should prove extraordinarily heavy, the goal of $4,500., which is the equivalent of Fifteen Scholarships for 1923, will not be realized.

What, however, has not been realized in 1923, we hope WILL BE in 1924, and, therefore, the earlier we begin to work for that goal the brighter will the prospect of success at the end of the New Year.

Therefore, we ask our Readers in larger numbers to become Benefactors of St. John's Atonement College, and by your contributions from month to month to provide food and all other things necessary for the forty-five students we now have for the Priesthood.

Previously reported: $3,469.30. Received during the month of November: A. J. H., $1; A. S., $1; A Visitor, $3; Mrs. E. H., $3; Mrs. M. E., $1; A. B., $5; E. L., $5; J. A. G., $2; Mrs. McL., $5; E. G., $4; Mrs. J., $5; Rev. J. McD., $2.75; Mr. and Mrs. De J., $5; E. S., $2; Mr. and Mrs. J. R., $5; C. D., $5; C. W., $5; Mrs. E. W., $2; Mrs. J. G., $5; E. K., $5; A Faithful Convert, 50c; J. E. C., $10; C. T. C., $1; Mrs. F., $5; C. H., $5; Mr. J. J. O'K., $9; H. G., $20; A. G., $50; N. N., 50c; B. J. F., 79c; Judge L., $10; N. N., 25c; Mrs. C. W., 50c; T. J. D., $5; Mrs. C. H., $10; R. D., $1; Mrs. J. N., $2; G. E. C., $1; H. E. B., $5; Miss E. H., $1; J. C., $4; T. J. B., $10; J. W., $2; A. McD., $50; N. N., $2; Mrs. F. MacN., $50; F. K., $2; C. McL., $1; N. N. 25c; D. F. D., $28; Mrs. J. C., $2; Mrs. M. A. T., $2; Rev. Bro. J., $2; Rev. J. O'K., $5; M. C., $5; F. D., $4; Total: $378.54. Grand Total: $3,847.84.

### A Testimonial to the Sacred Heart

**Mrs. M., Oakland, Calif.:** "A few days ago I caught cold, contracting a sore throat and an abscess on my tonsil. I could neither talk, eat, drink nor sleep for the pain in my ear and throat. Ordinarily it takes from 5 to 7 days for an abscess to form and break, but this was the third day, and I was nearly insane with pain. I pinned a Sacred Heart badge on my neck and promised publication if I got relief soon. In a couple of hours my abscess broke, and I went to sleep in ease. Many thanks to the Sacred Heart."

**C. S.:** "I am desirous of creating a Burse for the education of a Priest at Graymoor, and will be unable to make my first step until I have obtained some success in business matters I have on hand. The success which I am endeavoring to obtain would net somewhat large returns owing to the character of the business I am working on. I promise the Sacred Heart to give ten per cent of all the net returns from this business, and all other business matters I may undertake and obtain success in; to Catholic purposes in general, but especially Catholic Educational Undertakings."

### Votive Lights in Holy Ghost Chapel

**M. E. McN., Richmond Hill, L. I.:** "Enclosed please find $1.00 to secure the privilege of votive light for one week. I belong to the U. N. B. L."

### Holy Ghost Chapel Votive Lights

**Mrs. A. S., Shamokin, Pa.:** "Enclosed you will find $1.00 for a Votive Light in the Holy Ghost Chapel. Intention for my husband's and family's health."

### Good Wishes For The Lamp and Its Readers

**B. H. S., St. Louis, Mo.:** "May The Lamp extend the message of Christ from one corner of the earth to the other, and may God bless its work and you, and the Missionaries, keeping them from the dangers of the enemies of Christ. May the Readers be rewarded, and the donators likewise, and may we meet in the Land of the Living by the goodness and mercy of Him."

## FATHER NAAYEM IN CHALDEA

Father Joseph Naayem is by this time in conference with the Hierarchy in Chaldea, and is arranging to bring to America the first of the girls who are to be received and trained for the religious life in American convents. The largest single gift received by the Chaldean Rescue was one of $1000. from a convent to bring here the girls it will afterward train without charge.

In a letter written from Rome before leaving for Chaldea, Father Naayem again refers to the blessing bestowed by His Holiness Pope Pius XI upon readers of The Lamp and all others who have contributed to the support of the Church in Chaldea.

## RUSSIAN ARCHIMANDRITE UNITED WITH THE ROCK OF PETER

A recent despatch from Paris announces that the Russian Archimandrite Serge Dabitch delivered his formal profession of the Catholic Faith into the hands of Bishop Chaptal who had been specially delegated by the Holy See for this occasion. The Archimandrite is a doctor of laws and divinity and has served as chaplain to the Russian Embassy in Paris and as rector of Russian Orthodox Churches in Austria, Hungary and the Catholic parts of Germany. By special permission of the Pope, he is permitted to retain the title of Archimandrite and to wear the pastoral cross, crosier and mitre.

## PROPAGATE THE CANDLE

The second number of The Candle, January to March, has just been issued from the Atonement Press.

It is Graymoor's Quarterly, and may be described as the Child of The Lamp, resembling its mother in both features and character. We ask our Lamp constituency to propagate The Candle among their neighbors and friends, and to multiply its subscribers until they become as numerous as the leaves upon the trees.

We want to build up the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost to a Quarter of a Million, and The Candle is the instrument to employ to that end. No Catholic would refuse to give you a Quarter if you asked them to take The Candle. Remember the price is only Twenty-Five Cents a Year, and for a Dollar a Five Year Subscription can be secured.

It is growing at the rate of a Thousand Subscribers a month, but Our Lamp Readers could easily make it Ten Thousand by a little zealous work on behalf of the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost* and our Graymoor Activities.

Get your neighbors to subscribe to The Candle, and before long they will want The Lamp!

# The Coming of Mother Lurana to Graymoor

**Republished From "The Origin and History of the Society of the Atonement" by H. Christopher Watts, Appearing in THE LAMP, April and May, 1914.**

On the morning of Dec. 15th, 1898, the Octave of the feast of the Immaculate Conception, Sister Lurana left her home at Warwick, accompanied only by a poor girl, a god-child of hers, and set out to make the foundation of the Sisters of the Atonement at Graymoor.

The snow lay deep upon the ground that day, and it was a cold and cheerless reception which awaited the Mother Foundress when she reached her destination. The Convent *pro tem* which the Good God had provided was a farm cottage called "The Dimond House," said to be more than a century old. It had never received so much as a single coat of paint.

In many places the icy winds penetrated the crevices. No bright fire burned upon the hearth, nor were there the smiling faces of friends to bid her welcome. The weather was freezing cold, and the place was as desolate as an Arctic waste.

**The Dimond House As It Looked on December 15, 1893.**

With her own hands, accustomed so long to the refinements of a luxurious home, she prepared the fires and set to work first of all to fit up a little oratory with the few furnishings she had brought with her. The first bread eaten in the temporary convent was a loaf given to the Sister by a poor woman in Warwick just as she was leaving.

The west wing of the house was occupied by a Protestant working man and his wife and two children, and these were the only neighbors within a radius of half a mile.

Nevertheless, in all this Sister Lurana saw only the service of the Lady Poverty, and she rejoiced in her heart and magnified God.

The story of the first winter of the Sisters of the Atonement at Graymoor contains in it little that the ordinary person of the world would consider romantic. Of poverty and hardships, which, to the Franciscan idealist constitute a real part of the romance of the Religious Life, there was an abundance. Not only was that winter bitterly cold beyond the record of many years, but the old rickety house, as already stated, was full of cracks that admitted every icy blast that found its way up the valley, and after a northeast storm the snow that drifted in had literally to be shovelled out of the house.

The little money that came in the way of alms was barely enough to procure the necessities of life, and the Mother Foundress showed a remarkable skill in making the meagre funds at her disposal go a long way towards rivalling the widow's cruse of oil and the handful of meal, which wasted not and were never spent.

So, it is no exaggeration to say that scarcity of food, cold, poverty, a wild and dreary valley, loneliness, all combined to make the work of foundation a task to try the courage of the bravest; how much more then did it require faith on the part of a weak woman to set out to found a Sisterhood with such slender chances of worldly success?

The first periodical to be published at Graymoor, ante-dating The Lamp by a year or two, was **Rose Leaves from Our Lady's Garden**, and the issue of January 1900 contains the following account of the first Graymoor Christmas:

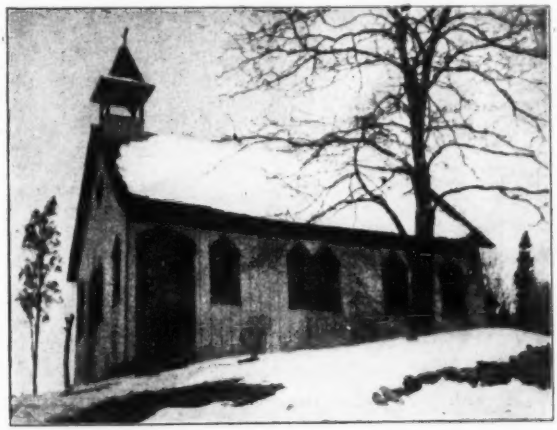
Seven years ago our Mother spent her first Christmas at Graymoor. How grey and still the old house looked in the moonlight: how white and cold the snowy wilderness lay as the little company walked up the half-mile stretch of road towards St. John's Church for the Midnight Mass. What a contrast to her Christmas of just one year back! Then the brilliantly lighted Convent Chapel in London; the large choir filled with Religious; the clear, rich harmony of the *Adeste Fideles* and *Gloria in Excelsis*, mingling with

the incense as the volume of sound mounted up, away up, over the exquisite great white marble altar, pure as a block of chiselled snow; the many lighted tapers shining like stars, and choir and aisle filled with an all-enveloping cloud of harmony and sweetness.

Now it is the same *Adeste Fideles* and *Gloria in Excelsis*, but London is exchanged for the stillness of a wilderness lying white and silent in the moonlight; nevertheless, the tiny church is His Majesty's Court; the same great Sacrifice of the Mass is being offered and the miracle of the Christ Child's coming is repeated. It is not a lonely place any longer, for the dark woods are filled with light and music; angelic choirs fill the empty stalls; Love has come down to earth and there is neither town nor country, cold nor warmth, full convent choir nor solitary Religious—for it is all Heaven."

This extract is interesting inasmuch as it shows how identical from the very first was the belief of the Graymoor Religious in the Real Presence and the Sacrifice of the Mass with that of the Catholic Church. The pastor of St. John's and chaplain to the Sisters at this time was the Rev. Wm. H. Davis, who came to Graymoor on December 8th, 1898, a week in advance of Sister Lurana.

It was on the feast of the Epiphany, 1899, that Sister Martha, as was anticipated in the last chapter, arrived from Omaha. Meanwhile, Father Wattson having returned from his mission in Butler, Pa., to Holy Cross, Westminster, Md., had set out again on another series of missions which was to keep him constantly employed until Easter, but he arranged to keep the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul at Graymoor. A retreat was held in the tiny chapel of the temporary convent on the day previous, January 24th, at which several lay associates of the Society of the Atonement were present, and these were received as Novices into the "Third Order Secular," as the third congregation was then called in imitation of St. Francis' Third Order of Penance. The Vespers of St. Paul's Day was celebrated by Evensong in St. John's Church, and again the next morning the little congregation assembled in the same place for a High Celebration of the Holy Communion.



**The Old Original St. John's Church**

The intense cold experienced that winter, in a house through whose sides daylight could be seen, precipitated the question of building a Convent; and on February 10th, Miss Elliot, who with her sister and Miss Julia Chadwick constituted what they laughingly termed "the vestry", wrote to Sister Lurana as follows:

"The thermometer went down to zero here (New York) yesterday. I really shudder to think what it must be at Graymoor. . . . Would it be against your rule—when the Society is organized—to own the little church? There is every likelihood of my living some day in the far west and before that comes into the question I would like to have the future of St. John's secured."

Although the legal transfer of the property never took place the intention of Miss Elliot and her companions was evidenced in the foregoing letter; and it was in entire good faith that the Mother Foundress invested a small legacy which had been left her by a relative, in the erection of St. Francis House close by the mission church, Miss Elliot contributing an additional $500 which had been raised by friends of the mission in New York.

The corner-stone of the Convent was laid on St. John Baptist's Day, June 24th, 1899. One of the happy auspices connected with this event needs recording here: In order to supply the masons with water in laying the foundation walls it was deemed advisable to sink a well before beginning to build the house. But when the well had reached the depth of thirty feet and no water had appeared, the Mother Foundress was greatly troubled because she had reached the limit of money appropriated for the purpose. When the well-diggers ceased work on the eve of Saint John Baptist's Day they left their tools lying at the bottom of the dry hole. That night the Mother prayed that God would show His favor upon the new Institute, by letting the water come in on St. John Baptist's Day. And when the little company came up from the "Dimond House" to the early service held in the mission church, they were greeted by the excited exclamation of the men that when they returned to their work they found that during the previous night the water had come into the well and submerged their tools.

Father Wattson was not able to be present on that eventful day, he having begun at Easter his Novitiate at Holy Cross. In the meantime the Rev. James O. S. Huntington, the superior and founder of the Order of the Holy Cross, undertook the spiritual direction of the little community of Sisters at Graymoor. Nevertheless Father Wattson addressed to the Sisters and Tertiaries at Graymoor a letter which has been preserved and is here reproduced. It reveals the strong faith of the So-

ciety's Founder not only in the immediate Providence of God as being sure to take care of the Sisters, but what the world would regard as an exaggerated and extravagant flight of optimism; but in view of the present expansion and growth of the Graymoor Institute, those who have the faith of the Catholic Church see in it nothing beyond what may be fully realized in the future history of the Friars and Sisters of the Atonement:

Holy Cross House, Westminster, Md.

Well Beloved in the Lord, Greeting:

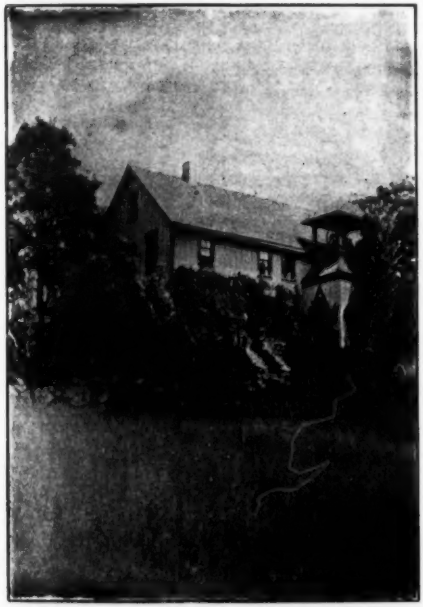
For the love I bear the Society of the Atonement, and that I may the more wisely direct the children God hath given and will give me in it, I have, as you know, placed myself in the hands of the Order of the Holy Cross to be trained by them in the Religious Life. Being therefore a prisoner in spiritual bonds, I may not be present at Graymoor to unite with you in the laying of the corner-stone of the Convent of St. Francis. But my heart and soul are with you in joyous faith and most fervent prayer.

It was our Divine Lord Who said, "Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die it abideth alone, but if it die it bringeth forth much fruit." The Religious act, which you at Graymoor on the Feast of St. John Baptist perform is nothing less than the planting of a seed, which will "take root downward and bear fruit upward" and increase and multiply until a thousand valleys in the world's great harvest field will "stand so thick with corn that they shall laugh and sing." If in prophetic vision your eyes could be supernaturally opened to gaze forward along the vista of the Church's future to the end of time and it were given to you in that vision to sum together all the blessed fruitage which shall hereafter spring from to-day's seed-planting, I doubt not that even the elect Mother Foundress of the Sisterhood of the Atonement of Jesus would find her most sanguine hopes surpassed by the marvelous fecundity of God's grace, imparting its fruitfulness to the sacrifice and entire oblation of themselves, which she and Sister Martha have made in obedience to the Divine Call.

Jesus said, "The Kingdom of God cometh not with observation." When He, the Lord of that Kingdom, which is the Catholic Church, was born, the angel-heralds proclaimed it not in the streets of Jerusalem, but only to a few shepherds on the outskirts of Bethlehem, "the least among the thousands of Judah." So on this birthday festival of John the Baptist, no double-leaded headlines in the New York *Herald* proclaim to the millions of the American Metropolis that a Religious Order is being cradled at Graymoor, a place so obscure that a letter addressed to it would be forwarded to the dead letter office at Washington as unknown to the postal authorities. No paper, secular or religious, we imagine, will report the laying of this corner-stone, and yet the great God of Heaven, "who holds within the hollow of His hands all worlds, all space," looks down with Fatherly approval on this religious act; His Son, our Lord, and His Virgin Mother rejoice, and all the holy angels and saints rejoice with them. Yes, and devils, too, look on and gnash their teeth in rage, foreseeing in this humble convent and what it shall bring forth, another extension of the primal prophecy, "the seed of the woman shall bruise the serpent's head." The undertaking of two defenceless women to build a house in this sparsely settled region of the Highlands without money enough in hand to finish the building they have begun, much less to furnish and provision it when completed, must seem to be, from the viewpoint of the worldly wise, sheer madness. What can come of such folly save starvation, or else a return of these foolish women to their senses! But these two heroic souls (or, if you will, 'fools for Christ's sake'), wearing the brown habit of St. Francis, and wedded like him to Holy Poverty, know well that He, in Whom they have put their trust, will never let them be confounded. They are sure His Promise cannot fail: "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and food, raiment and shelter and all else that is needful will be freely added unto you." "The lions do lack and suffer hunger, but they who wait upon the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good."

**"The Terrace" As It looked Dec. 15, 1898, When Sister Lurana Bade Adieu to Her Childhood Home.**

But why should these pious women come, like John the Baptist, into so solitary a place to take up their abode, when there is so much practical good they might do by establishing themselves in New York? The answer is not far to seek. John the Baptist did not always remain in solitude, but when the hour ordained of God arrived he appeared on the banks of the Jordan and mightily prepared the way for Christ. Nor will the Sisters of the Atonement always remain cloistered at Graymoor. When in retirement the Holy Ghost shall have sufficiently taught and trained them for their work, we believe He will send them forth into the slums of the city, and their brown habit will then be seen where the poor are crowded thickest together and vice and misery are most strongly entrenched. But let none think that in this sequestered retreat from the turmoil and bustle of the Great City, fifty miles away, the poor Sisters of the Atonement will have no

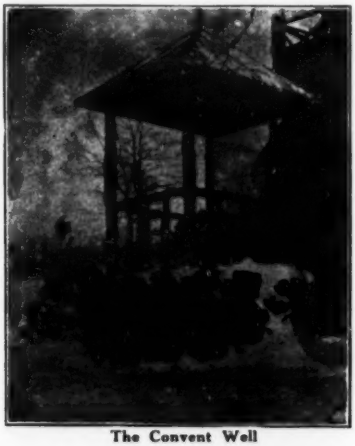


**St. Francis' House (Sisters' Convent)**
**As It Appeared on October 30, 1909**

influence on the world outside and beyond the Graymoor Highlands. In the Convent of St. Francis an Altar and Tabernacle are to be erected to the worship of the Triune God. Upon that Altar (the Lord willing it) the all-prevailing Sacrifice of the most hallowed Body and Blood of Jesus Christ shall be daily offered; and within the Tabernacle the Blessed Sacrament will be perpetually reserved. Consequently, Emmanuel will ever abide in this house, and as the Graymoor Nuns kneel in loving adoration before Him, interceding for all mankind, He will hearken unto their requests. So these holy women, through their power with God in the Most Holy Sacrament, shall bless with the benediction of prayer the very ends of the earth.

It was the voice of one man praying at Babylon which moved God to promise that He would bring again the people of Israel to their own land and "turn the captivity of Zion as the rivers in the South." And who shall compute the mighty host of captives who are snatched from Satan's greedy clutch by the prayers of holy virgins keeping watch before the Tabernacle of their God! It has been said that St. Theresa converted more souls by her prayers than the great Francis Xavier did by his missionary labors.

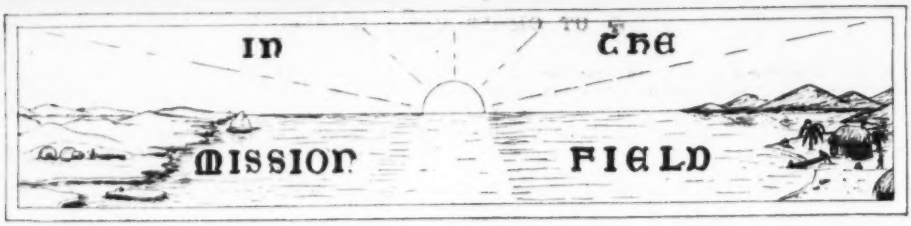
The motto of the Sisters of the Atonement is "*Non nisi Te, Domine!*"—(Naught but Thyself, O Lord!), and to this they have added: "*As having nothing and yet possessing all things; as poor, yet making many rich.*" So long as they are unswervingly true to Jesus Christ, the Spouse of Virgins, and to the principles of poverty which He inculcated both by precept and example, the powers of hell shall not prevail against them. They will "flourish like a palm tree planted by the waterside." They "will spread abroad like the cedars of Lebanon." And the good they are destined to accomplish will never perish from the earth."



**The Convent Well**

## THE ANTIDOTE

This National Monthly, devoted especially to Catholic Unity and Christian Democracy, is published by the Friars of the Atonement as the Running Mate of The Lamp. They supplement each other, what one lacks the other supplies. Our Lamp readers should, whenever possible, also subscribe to The Antidote. One without the other is incomplete. They are as different as Brother and Sister. The Lamp is full of "Appeals," The Antidote contains none; The Antidote comes out on the first of the month, The Lamp on the 15th. The Antidote has a "Home Circle" department which The Lamp has not room for. Greatly do we desire our Rosarians and U. N. B. L. members to take The Antidote as well as The Lamp. Can you not manage it SOMEHOW? Subscription price: Three Dollars for One Year; Five Dollars for 2 Years; Fifty Dollars for Life.




## OFFERINGS FOR MASSES

*The Extension Magazine* recently stated that during the previous eleven months the Catholic Extension Society had distributed $164,059 in the form of Mass intentions among fifty-four Bishops and ten Religious Communities in the United States and its dependencies. This is a fine record. It is over three times the amount distributed during the same time by the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost* not alone to Bishops and Missionary Priests in Canada, the United States, and the Philippine Islands, but also in China, India, Japan, Ceylon, in various parts of Europe and in Africa; and still the cries come from all directions begging us to send MORE Mass intentions. This we will gladly do if the Clergy and the Faithful will in greater numbers make the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost* their almoner, in distributing Mass intentions to Missionary Bishops and needy Religious in every part of the world.

## PERPETUAL MEMBERSHIPS, INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY

The September LAMP contained the last published list of Perpetual Memberships, Individual and Family, in the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost*. Since then there have been added to the list twenty-six Individual Memberships and twenty-one Family Memberships, as follows:

Individual Memberships: Mrs. E. McK.; Mrs. M. M. M.; S. S.; Miss A. M. B.; R. G. K.; N. L.; Mrs. H.; Mrs. A.; A. C. G. B.; J. V. D.; E. C.; J. K.; G. S. McC.; J. M. A. W.; J. C.; N. F.; M. C.; H. G.; Mrs. N. L. M.; J. J. C.; Miss M. E. H.; J. D.; Mrs. K. K.; F. C.; K. D.; Mrs. J. L.

Family Memberships: M. F. B.; Miss M. E.; Miss K. S.; M. T. F.; S. G. B.; Miss A. D.; Mrs. E. C.; A. N. T.; F. M. W.; A. McC.; M. D. B.; M. S.; Mrs. M. McT.; L. P. F.; Mrs. R. C.; L. I. F.; Miss M. E. R.; Mrs. E. F. L.; Mrs. M. G.; J. T. S.; Mrs. C. O'R.

Not only have those who secured these Perpetual Memberships laid up for themselves treasure in Heaven, "where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, nor thieves break through and steal," together with the inestimable benefit, both spiritual and temporal, in sharing in over Three Thousand Masses said every year for members of the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost*, both living and departed; but a great deal of practical benefit has resulted from these contributions.

A letter from Bishop Biermans just received states that his Seminary is well on the way towards completion, and those who have contributed Fifty Dollars to purchase a Perpetual Membership in the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost have been helping to build this Seminary. Something like Ten Thousand Dollars, in the aggregate, has been contributed by the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost for the erection of Bishop Biermans' Seminary as a result of these Individual Memberships.

If all those who have secured enrollment for their entire Family, living and departed, as Perpetual Members of the U. N. B. L. by the payment of One Hundred Dollars, could visit Graymoor; they would see on the southern slope of our Holy Mountain a beautiful Novitiate Building, four stories high, which is now approaching completion. This noble edifice is almost entirely paid for, and that very largely through the self-denial of those who have taken out Family memberships in our Missionary Union.

If about twenty-five more of our Readers will enroll their families as Perpetual Members of the Union-That Nothing-Be-Lost in the next three months, we will have the happiness of wiping out whatever debt still remains on St. Joseph's Novitiate Building.

For particulars concerning Perpetual Memberships in the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost* kindly write us and we will give all desired information.

## DEPLORES SPIRIT OF PAROCHIALISM

"There is a real curse in many Catholic parishes in the Church throughout the United States today. It is the dry rot of parochialism and the inability or unwillingness of pastors and people to see the needs of the Church beyond their immediate parish," Bishop Joseph Schrembs said in the course of an address after the dedication of a new $100,000 school building for the parish of Our Lady of the Angels in Cleveland, Ohio, recently.

The bishop said that this spirit is handicapping the advancement of the Church in many fields where there is urgent need of assistance.

The bishop explained that the first duty of the pastor and people necessarily was to their own parish, but after its needs had been supplied there were other avenues to which assistance could be given without injury to the progress of the individual parish.

"The spirit of parochialism in priest and people," he said, "is that fear that a few dollars may be sent outside their parish to do a larger work in the Church of Jesus Christ."

The bishop quoted Henry Ford, as having recently made the statement that a large money bequest was the poorest inheritance that could come to children; that it tended to destroy their initiative and in many instances led to a life of indolence and dissipation.

He urged bequests to aid in the extension of the Church, rather than to children. He said that money given to extend the work of the missionaries and of those engaged in higher education would prove a blessing to untold generations and that it would pay dividends for eternity.

## SHORT SKETCHES DESCRIPTIVE OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

By Joseph DeSamber, N. S. A.

### (1) Bird's Eye View

A proverb tells us that the unknown is also unloved (*Ignoti nulla cupido*), and since proverbs are the texts of common life, it explains why so many Catholic Americans are not interested in the Philippine Islands which Holy Providence committed to them. Hence more knowledge concerning the Philippines is needed. To acquire this needed knowledge, I wish to present you an opportunity which may serve as a token of sincere gratitude I owe to the Readers of The Lamp.

The Philippine Islands is a tropical country, situated between 5 degrees and 19 degrees latitude above the Equator. From north to south, for a distance of a thousand miles, the myriad islands of the Philippines scattered over the sea, form a great triangle, lying at the northern end of the Malay Archipelago and about six hundred miles from the China coast. This geographical position of the Islands was the reason why they were the last island settled by Malayan races, and also why they were the last of the Malay Archipelago to be discovered by Europeans. There are more than three thousand islands and islets in the Philippine group that dot the ocean. Only about three hundred of them are the homes of men; the rest are rocky or barren sand heaps.

**Bokod Mission, Philippine Islands.**

South of the Philippines lie thousands of other islands, which are so near one to another that it is almost possible to see from shore to shore across the narrow straits that separate them. Along the bottom of the sea—very shallow between many of the islands—we can trace the peaks and ridges that connect the mountains of one island with another. Expert-geologists conclude from it that long ago all these islands were a part of Eurasia. During a incalculable lapse of time it happened that the land sank beneath the sea, and that afterwards parts of the sunken land rose again above the water. In the Philippines we find coral rocks and bones of fishes in the earth far above the sea. Also along the coast we find old sea-beaches high above the water. These facts are evidence that the Philippines were once under the Ocean. After the period of sinking into the depths, the central forces of the earth that make the earthquakes and volcanoes lifted mountains above the sea, and these mountains are the Philippine Islands. As to amplify this proof, it may be of importance to say here that the same forces that made the islands are still working. In 1871 a mountain rose from the surface of the earth on the little island of Camiguin, north of Mindanao. The boiling lava formed a huge mound extending half a mile into the sea. In a few weeks the mountain reached the height of a thousand feet and has since risen much higher. The west coast of Luzon is slowly rising above the sea, and this fact is observed at the present time.

The Philippines are divided into six groups:

I. Luzon and the nearest-by Islands. In Luzon lies Manila, the capital of the Archipelago. Luzon is the largest and the most important island, and half the population of the Philippines lives on it. Most of the history of the Philippines relates to this island.

II. Important Islands surrounding Luzon: The Batanes and Babuyanes groups, Polillo, Catanduanes, Mindoro, Marinduque, Burias, Masbate, and Ticao.

III. The Vizayan Islands: Panay, Romblon group, Negros, Cebu, Bohol, Leyte and Samar.

IV. Mindanao and the surrounding Islands.

V. The Sulu Archipelago.

VI. Palauan and the surrounding Islands.

The Philippines are surrounded by the lands of five great nations. On the north is the island Formosa, belonging to Japan, and Japan itself; east of Mindanao lie the Pelew Islands, formerly belonging to Germany; south are the Dutch East Indies; southwest is British North Borneo, and on the west lie Cochin China, a colony of France. The distance of the Philippines from the U. S. A. is about 10,000 miles. The Philippines lie in the track of commerce from America to Asia, from Japan to Australia and from Europe to the Far East. They are at the door of China, the great country for whose markets the nations of the world are struggling.

The Philippine Islands are nearly all mountainous, with steep slopes and narrow beaches. The mountains are in general forest-covered, the home of several wild tribes speaking many tongues, still non-Christians and numbering about one million souls.

The three sources from which I am taking the data for this and following sketches are: "Short History of the Philippines" by Prescott F. Jernegan, Teacher of Philippine History, Philippine Normal School, Manila; "Catholic Encyclopedia"; and personal experiences of more than twelve years of ministry as a Priest-Missionary in those Islands.

## THE SECOND SOLEMN BAPTISM OF ADULTS IN DUTCH SOUTH-NEW-GUINEA

By Rev. T. Vertenten, M. S. C.

August 15, 1923 has been a very happy day for us Missionaries, as well as for all the people. Workers of the first hour were present too on that happy day.

Rev. Father Nollen, the first missionary of the Kaj-Kaja, who 18 years ago came ashore on August 14th, 1905, was with us for the very last time, being ready to start for his former missionfield, formerly German colonies, now New Britain.

Rev. Father Van der Kooy with Brother Joosten returned by the last mail-boat from Holland, where they spent a year in order to restore their broken health.

From Okaba came down Rev. Father Geurtjens. And for the newly arrived missionaries it was not a little encouragement to start the sublime but heavy work that waits them here.

Great happiness must be bought by severe trials and those really did not fail here. True it is too, that to those who listen to the voice of the Master, and leave all here on earth for the Lord's sake, the hundred-fold and more will be given to them.

On such days, we are thrilled with electrical currents of happiness penetrating to the heart's core and defying description. Father Nollen baptized with his own hands some old acquaintances, to whom he himself had given the first preparation some years ago: little Soki, now Clara Soekei, whose grand-father once was his friend and whose parents call themselves his spiritual children. Her father once was the most celebrated lad of Jobar and later a notorious head hunter.

Rev. Father van der Kooy baptized some grown-ups, who 13 years ago, he instructed as small boys in his poor hut at Jobar.

The chapel was nicely decorated, and all surroundings too appeared in festive attire.

The teachers with all their children came from Merauke, Noh-otiv, Wendoe, Koembe and Keiboesee. The small church was filled up, and at the entrance and windows a crowd of Kaj-kaja, among whom were many lubricated and feathered pagans who looked amazed at the holy ceremonies.

This feast of the Assumption of the Holy Virgin was at the same time a first communion day of 8 of our little Christians, 5 boys and 3 girls.

Last Monday they went to confession with a sincerity which touched me. Tuesday morning, the eve of the Feast, they were all a long time at and round my room. I said, they ought to wash and bathe, their bodies too ought to be very clean to receive Jesus. Then, little Peter, a young boy with great open eyes and a clear voice, began to speak in the name of all: "Toean, (Sir) Mark, John, Jack, and myself, we forgot some sins." They wished to go to confession again, to have their little souls very clean and spotless. And twice they confessed their peccadillos, smiling and full of happiness they left the confessional, now it was all right, now all was said and nothing has been forgotten.

Reader, don't you think, that Jesus with great love embraced closely to His Heart those little Kaj-kaja children?

All received during the Solemn Mass the Bread of Angels, the Food of Souls, the Pledge of everlasting life. First the little ones, than 30 new Christians, 3 girls, 9 boys, 10 men and 8 women. After that those who for a longer time had had the happiness to be Christians. How appropriate was here the communion song: *O quam amabilis es bone Jesu!* How lovely art thou, good Jesus!

The grace of God worked here marvellously.

In the name of us altogether, I come to thank you all who with prayers penances, sacrifices and alms sent help to found the Kingdom of God here. Please, continue helping us, the Kaj-kaja, both the old and young are praying for you.

After solemn vespers in the first part of the evening, there was joyful drumming with native dancing till midnight.

The newly-baptized were only spectators, for the next morning they wished to receive Holy Communion with fresh minds again.

The body too, got the share due to it.

Cheerfully all the invited returned to their villages. Many said and others thought: Later it will be my turn.

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## DO YOU KNOW OF THE MISERY IN AUSTRIA?

Where Nuns are bedridden because of the crumbling of their bones through lack of nutrition.

Priests do any kind of work to get just one square meal a day.

One hundred thousand government employees must be discharged before 1925, which means starvation for hundreds of thousands of women and children.

Thousands of old and infirm people are helpless against hunger and cold.

Thousands of babies are crying for milk and warm clothing, which things their poor mothers cannot give them.

THIS IS AUSTRIA OF TODAY—where your help is most needed.

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Kindly send your donation for the suffering people of Austria, to the Austrian Delegation, sent by His Eminence, the Cardinal-Archbishop of Vienna, 165 East 88th Street, New York City.

Please make checks payable to Rev. John Egger or Baroness Elise von Rast.

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### Likes to Know of the Wants of Missionaries

**A. D., Los Angeles, Calif.** "What I like most of all in The Lamp is this: You are so kind to tell the wants of poor Missionaries. Do not mind if some object. God will reward you!"

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### Family Membership Promised

**H. T. R., San Francisco:** "During a long illness, I often had recourse to Our Lady of the Atonement and promised the Blessed Mother a Family Membership in the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost if I were cured. For five months I have been at work, and feel obligated to Our Lady to discharge this promise."

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### MASS INTENTIONS

**J. P. P., Procurator for the Belgian Philippine Island Missions:** "If you can spare Mass Intentions for Very Rev. Father Van Zuyt, Provincial, they will be a God-send."

## REPORT OF MONEYS DISBURSED BY THE UNION-THAT-NOTHING-BE-LOST DURING NOVEMBER

### Africa

Rt. Rev. J. Biermans, Kampala P. O., Uganda: M. I., $100. Rt. Rev. A. Declercq, Lulubourg, Belgian Congo: M. I., $50. Rt. Rev. G. Grison, Stanley-Falls, Belgian Congo: M. I., $50. Rev. A. Negri, Gulu, Uganda: M. I., $15; gifts, $5; Total: $20. Rev. J. B. Pedrana, Lull Karthum, Sudan: M. I., $20. Rev. P. Rogan, Kakamega, Uganda: M. I., $10; gifts, $2; total: $12. Rt. Rev. T. Spreiter, O. S. B., Vryheid, Natal: M. I., $30. Dom. S. Van Nuffell, Pietersburg, Transvaal: M. I., $20. Rev. Mother Kevin, Nsyamba, Uganda: alms, $1. Rev. E. Grimshaw, Kampala: gifts, $5.

### China

Rt. Rev. M. Chiolino, Honan Wei: M. I., $25. V. Rev. C. Daems, Tsinchow: M. I., $15. Rt. Rev. P. A. Favean, C. M., Hangchow: M. I., $50. Rev. X. Fou, Song Lin: M. I., $10. Rev. L. M. Frederic, Changi: M. I. $15. Rev. V. Guichard, Chefoo: M. I., $10. Rev. I. Heiligenstein, O. F. M., Tungchangfu: M. I., $25. Rev. D. Herkenrath, O. F. M., Tsinanfu: M. I., $15. Rev. J. Hou, C. M., Ningpo: M. I., $10. Rt. Rev. C. Ibanez, O. F. M., Yenanfu: M. I., $100. Rev. A. Merchier, O. F. M., Ichang: M. I., $100. Rev. J. M. Ouang, C. M., Kinwhafu: M. I., $20. Rev. H. Sepieter, C. S. M. Juichowfu: M. I., $15. Rev. Leo Ting, C. M., Chiichowfu: M. I., $10. Rt. Rev. O. Timmers, Luanfu: M. I., $25. Rev. Luke Ting, C. M., Hangchow: M. I., $10.

### Europe

Austria—Rev. G. M. Jussell, Vorarlberg, M. I., $25. His Em. F. Card. Piffl, Vienna: alms, $5. Germany—Rev. E. Giessen, Aachen: M. I., $15. Rev. M. Mommertz, Gladbach: M. I., $10. Rev. L. Siemer, Vechta: M. I., $10. Rev. R. Schulte, Kelkheim, M. I., $10. Sr. M. Columba, Schweikelberg: alms, $230. Sr. Maria, Arsberg, Westphalia: alms, $54. Rev. L. Curic, O. F. M., Bosnia: M. I., $10. Rev. Fr. Provincial, Lubljana, Jugoslavia: M. I., $50. Italy—V. Rev. G. Bacile, Bisaquino: M. I., $20. Rev. A. M. Bemba, Napoli: M. I., $30. Rev. P. Lucchese, Alcamo: M. I., $25. Rev. D. I. Lanslots, O. S. B., for the Capuchin Nuns in Rome: M. I. $10. V. Rev. C. Ortica, Perugia: M. I., $15. Rev. R. Pancini, Florence: M. I., $10. Rev. A. Rigo, Rome: M. I., $100, alms, $1; total: $101. Capuchin Nuns in Florence: alms $5. Rev. Mother Teresa Joseph, Florence: alms, $6. Rev. Fr. Vigilio, O. F. M., La Verna: alms, $1. Spain—V. Rev. R. Brotons, O. F. M., Valencia: alms, $15; M. I., $50; Total: $65. Portugal—Rev. J. P. Roque, Porto de Moz: M. I., $10. H. E. Card. Schulte, Cologne, M. I., $15.

### Holy Childhood Association

Received for Memberships in the Association: $20.75.

### India

Most Rev. J. Aelen, Madras: M. I., $50. Rt. Rev. Dr. Cappell, Nagpur: M. I., $10. Rev. S. D'Silva, Yedatore: M. I., $15. Rev. J. B. D'Sa, Moodbidvi: M. I., $10. Rt. Rev. M. Despatures, Bangalore: M. I., $50. Rev. F. S. D'Souza, Kulshekar: M. I., $10. Rev. G. T. Duffy, Cuddalore: M. I., $15. Rev. J. V. D'Souza, Mattigiri: M. I., $10. Rev. Fr. Dominic, D. C., Mannaman: M. I., $25. Rev. Fr. Elias, D. C., Pavarath: M. I., $10; alms, $20; total: $30. Rev. V. R. Fernandes, Manjeshwar: M. I., $10. Rt. Rev. T. Kurialacherry, Changanacherry: M. I., $50. Rev. T. Kottur, Palathura: M. I., $10. Rev. J. C. Kayalakam, Ithithanam: M. I., $10. Rev. Fr. Leopold, D. C., Elthuruth: M. I., $10. Rev. E. Loubiere, Cuddalore: M. I., $15. Rev. Fr. Marcellino, Mutholy: M. I., $10. Rev. S. Marianandam, Madras: M. I., $10. Rev. E. L. Mathias, Mangalore: M. I., $10. Rev. Fr. John-Mary, D. C., Narkanda: M. I., $10. Most Rev. E. J. Morel, Pondicherry: M. I., $25. Rev. T. Mukalel, Kottayam: M. I., $10; alms, $3; total: $13. Rev. P. Meyniel, Bangalore: M. I., $10. Rev. J. M. Minezes, Manjeshwar: M. I., $10. V. Rev. Fr. Nicholas, D. C., Mutholy: M. I., $20. Rt. Rev. A. Kandathil, Ernakulam: M. I., $10. Rev. M. Riklin, S. J., Poona: M. I., $15. Rev. C. Roche, Bahmo, M. I., $10. Rt. Rev. T. Roche, S. J., Trichinopoly: M. I., $10. Rev. R. D. Sequeira, Kokkada: M. I., $10. Rev. Fr. Stephen, D. C., Pandalam: M. I., $10. Rev. L. J. Thekumthla, Ernakulam: M. I., $10. Rev. H. Westropp, S. J., Chuhari: M. I., $7; alms, $4; total: $11. Sr. Clara, Allur: alms, $1. Sr. Ursula, Palai: alms, $5. Rev. G. Koocehric, Kumarakam: alms, $10. Sr. M. Adelaide, Secundrabal: alms, $10. Rev. Fr. Symphorian, Delhi: alms, $5.

### Japan

Rt. Rev. J. B. Castanier, Osaka: alms, $3; V. Rev. S. Kinold, O. F. M., Sapporo: M. I., $120. Rev. I. Nakada, Nagasaki: M. I., $20. Rev. E. Perez, O. P., Tainan, Formosa: M. I., $15.

### Korea

Rev. C. Ferrand, Taikou: M. I., $15. Rev. C. Peynet, Taiyou: M. I., $25. Rev. J. Vermorel, Taikou: M. I., $10.

### Medical Mission Branch

Mission of St. Sebastian, Chefoo: (Sr. M. Bernardine) $25.50. House of Mercy, Chentingfu: (Sr. Guerlain) $52. St. Joseph's Hospital, Ningpo: (Sr. Gilbert) $45. House of the Sacred Heart, Kashing: (Sr. Joseph) $50.

### Near East and Asia Minor

Rt. Rev. G. Calavassy, Constantinople: M. I., $575; Bread League, $8.50; Msgr. Barry-Doyle's Near East Fund, $1,240.15; Total: $1,823.65. Most Rev. C. Khouri, Tyre, Syria: M. I., $25. Rev. J. Naayem, Chaldean Relief Fund, $3. Most Rev. M. Saigh, Tyre, Syria: M. I., $25.

### Philippine Islands

Rev. H. David, Baguio: M. I., $100; alms, $10; for the Church of Our Lady of the Atonement, $10.88; total: $120.88. Rev. J. P. Puttemans, alms, $10. Rev. P. B. Drescher, Pilar: alms, $1. Rev. L. Quintelleir, Baguio: alms, $6.50.

### Miscellaneous Missions

Foreign—Rt. Rev. J. Aerts, Amboina, D. E. I., $25 for M. I. Rt. Rev. A. Bahlman, O. F. M., Santarem: M. I. $25. Rev. P. Bihain, Port de Paix, Haiti: M. I., $30. Rev. J. Francis, O. M. I., Mannar, Ceylon: M. I., $15. Rev. L. Larose, O. M. I., St. Albert, Alta.: M. I., $15. Rev. S. G. Prakasar, O. M. I., Jaffa, Ceylon: M. I., $15. Rev. N. Teeffelen, O. P., Guadeloupe: M. I., $10. Rev. A. de Valette, Laga, Abyssinia: M. I., $10. Sr. M. Immaculata, Brazil: alms, $5.

Domestic—Rev. Fr. Anselm, S. A., Hereford, Tex.: $100. Rt. Rev. J. R. Crimont, S. J., Juneau, Alaska: alms, $70. Rev. S. J. Kelly, New Orleans, La.: alms, $5. Most Rev. A. Daeger, O. F. M., Santa Fe, N. M.: $2. Rev. P. F., alms, $5. Rev. M. F. Collins, Sour Lake, Tex.: alms, $94.50.

### Masses Distributed in the U. S. A.

Rev. F. A., $15. Rev. E. H. B., $15. Rev. Jose C., $30. Rec. C. C., $25. Rev. P. J. C., $20. Rev. F. C., $15. Rev. H. A. C., $50. Rev. J. D., $30. Rev. A. F., $15. Rev. V. G., $45. Rev. O. L., $15. Rev. J. C. L., $10. Rev. G. L., $15. Rev. A. P., $15. Rev. S. J. P., $15. S. A. Fathers: $1,198.40. Salesian Fathers, $50. Rev. H. T., $15. Rev. M. J. T., $10. Rev. A. Van S., $15. Rev. J. M. V., $15. Rev. R. W., $20. Total: $1,653.40. Literature—$33.29.

**Total Disbursements: $6,589.47.**

## THE WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

*Miss Moore, Secretary of The Guild of The Little Flower, has sent us for publication the following account of The White Elephant Sale, by Mrs. Elizabeth H. Binsse*

If anybody ever doubted the Little Flower's love of peace and solicitude for others, he or she should have been at the White Elephant Sale in Washington during the week of November 19th; there, one not only felt, but saw, the spirit of Peace and Love and Joy.

The devotion of the Guild's President, Mrs. E. W. Montgomery, made every helper want to do more. No obstacle was too great to be overcome by these zealous workers for their beloved patron saint.

The White Elephant Sale was a success, a great success, and our thanks are due to the owners of the building for their kindness in lending the store at 1224 F street; also to Mr. Julius Garfinkle, whose help enabled us to make use of the store; to the steadfast and ever faithful followers of the Little Flower, who collected, sold and bought and by their efforts made for Father Vander Pol's Ketchikan Hospital the Goodly sum of $1,700.00.

**The Little Flower of the Child Jesus**

How could any undertaking not succeed with such enthusiasm as was displayed by the ladies in charge? They gave up their entire time to selling the articles (collected without any charge, save work,) and to serving delicious food to the hungry hordes of buyers.

It always makes one think of the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes in Our Dear Lord's life on earth when one sees the miraculous multiplication of pennies at a rummage sale.

Who, on entering 1224 F street the dreary, wet morning of Monday, November 19th, could have imagined that what was displayed there would bring in the sum of $1,700.00. Yet, in spite of rain and inclement weather, it did, and every buyer longed to be able to spend more when they saw the smiling devotion and willing service of the ladies in charge of the different tables.

As for the luncheon, Miss Hauser, with her assistants, Miss Maher, Miss Wilcox, Miss Hunt and Miss Gowan served them so well we were all tempted to return and eat more and Mrs. Steins' afternoon teas were a warm comfort as well as a captivating pleasure.

Mrs. Edith Pratt made and donated a beautiful embroidered alb, which was voted to the most popular pastor. Father McNamara was the proud winner. Rizik Brothers gave a richly embroidered frock, and many friends of the Guild, unable to be present, sent generous contributions.

The Guild of the Little Flower begs to thank one and all of them and to assure the donors that every cent, (there being no expenses,) will be used to alleviate suffering in cold Alaska during the coming winter.

**Mrs. M. J., Erie, Pa.:** "I am enclosing money order for $5.00 for the Little Flower of Jesus Alaskan Mission. This is given in thanksgiving for favors granted, which I am going to ask you to publish in The Lamp, viz., the miraculous cure of deafness and trouble with the glands of the neck, also for the cure of an ingrown toe nail for it was only through her intercession that it was saved from the surgeon's knife, finally she has obtained for my son a fine position and I can truthfully say she is indeed the little Wonder Worker."

## LATEST WORD FROM BISHOP CRIMONT

A letter has just been received at Graymoor from his Lordship, Bishop Crimont, acknowledging a contribution sent him for one of his missions. The letter stated that he had just returned to Juneau after a five month's absence in which he had visited every mission station in his vast jurisdiction. Alaska is a vicariate of tremendous distances, which have to be covered, not by railroad express trains, save in a very limited degree, but by shank mare, steam launch and row boat in summer and by dog sleds in winter. The Bishop writes in the cheery manner, characteristic of his Apostolic Right Reverence, and he is always highly appreciative of what our Lamp readers do for Alaska.

# Greek Page

## THE FIRST YEAR OF MSGR. BARRY-DOYLE'S NEAR-EAST CAMPAIGN

The Lamp of February last contained an account of Msgr. Barry-Doyle's first appearance in New York. It was on the Feast of St. Peter's Chair at Rome, October 18th, in the ball room of the Plaza Hotel.

The audience which filled the hall was composed of the Converts League of America and their guests. Mr. Stuart Pullman West, President of the League, introduced Msgr. Barry-Doyle to the assembly, and his lecture profoundly impressed everyone who heard it. From The Lamp's account of the lecture we quote the following passage:

*"The enthusiasm aroused by Msgr. Barry-Doyle for the tremendous cause he represents augers well for the success of his mission, and, if the reception given to him in New York City is to be gauged by his first success it will in turn be the forerunner of similar triumphs in the other great cities of the United States and Canada, and before his Mission to this country comes to an end, we are confident that Msgr. Barry-Doyle's desire to lay a Million Dollars at the feet of the Holy Father for Bishop Calavassy and the promotion of his work in Constantinople and Athens will be realized."*

In the December Lamp we reported the triumphant conclusion of the Monsignor's Campaign in Philadelphia when he addressed an audience in the Metropolitan Opera House on Friday evening, November 16th, which crowded the largest theatre in the city to the doors, while thousands were turned away, unable to gain entrance. The receipts from this lecture amounted to Fifteen Thousand Dollars.

The gross receipts from the Monsignor's lectures, and contributions sent to his Fund through the medium of The Lamp and the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost during 1923 have totaled more than FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS. This is not bad for the first year; and we prophesy that the receipts of the Monsignor's Campaign as it progresses will grow as a snowball, each revolution increasing its diameter, circumference, and general magnitude.

The support given to his Campaign by the Most Rev. Archbishop of New York and His Eminence, Cardinal Dougherty of Philadelphia, and other distinguished members of the Hierarchy, together with the cordial reception tendered to him in Canada last Summer, practically guarantees a similar welcome when, having concluded his Campaign in the East, he travels Westward on his way to the Pacific Coast.

During the month of January he is the guest of Rt. Rev. Michael J. Hoban, D. D., Bishop of Scranton, who has been kindness itself to the Monsignor.

In February he plans to return to New York City, where the friends he made last winter will, we are sure, welcome him again; and we especially ask all Lamp Readers in Manhattan and Brooklyn to render to the Monsignor all the assistance that they can in making his campaign in New York more successful even than the one in Philadelphia.

## BISHOP CALAVASSY URGENTLY APPEALS FOR HELP

In a recent letter from Bishop Calavassy, he says:

*"I gathered in Macedonia my Catholic refugees of Thrace in order to reconstitute the Missions, promising to them substantial assistance in the Fall, the proper time for agricultural work. Now they are appealing continually to me for food, cattle, agricultural instruments, seed, and other things, complaining that, if I do not assist them just now to prepare the ground for cultivation, they will have to suffer again for the whole year.*

*"The question of the orphanage also is distressing me greatly. Outside of the necessity of saving the Catholic orphans, it is for me a question of honor, after the promise given to the Government, and after I have so much insisted to have a convenient ground-plot in the city of Athens, while the Government was offering many large grounds to my choice, but* OUTSIDE *of Athens.*

*"Except the small orphanage we have in Sira, there is no other Catholic orphanage in Greece. To avoid borrowing money, I did not start yet the big one in Athens, hoping that by this time I would have a certain sum at my disposal for that purpose.. Now I cannot postpone any longer the starting of the orphanage; it would be a shame and a disgrace to the Catholic name in Greece, all the more so that the Greek Government, in order to show its appreciation for the services rendered to the refugees and also to show its good dispositions towards us, honored me lately with the decoration of the Golden Cross of the Knights of the Savior. I must, therefore, lease a house provisionally, and start collecting the orphans, with the hope that the necessary money will come.*

EDITOR'S NOTE: As announced in The Lamp last month fifteen thousand dollars were raised in Philadelphia by Monsignor Barry-Doyle towards the orphanage and at least ten thousand more we hope will soon be added to this fine beginning.)

*"Apart from the scarcity of funds our news is rather good. Our situation is everywhere improving here as well as in Macedonia and Greece, our schools are filled up especially in Constantinople where our boys' school is frequented by 335 boys, more than ever before. Of these boys 250 are Orthodox. Although many Greek Orthodox schools have been closed up by the Turks, and in spite of so many troubles they are creating for the Orthodox Patriarchate, we have not been so far distributed at all. We try to profit as much as we can by this present situation; sad as it might be called from a general point of view, we hope, however, that some good will come out of it in the interest of our cause and of the Catholic Church.*

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"We must live in this world as if our hearts were in Heaven, and our bodies in the tomb."—*St. Francis de Sales.*

# Chaldean Rescue

## A TRIBUTE TO THE LAMP

### Father Naayem Tells What The Lamp Does for His Chaldeans

Editor's Foreword: *M. A. Villas, from the London office of the Association for the Propagation of the Faith, has addressed to the Editor of* The Lamp *the following communication-. In the hope that its publication may stimulate our generous Readers to yet greater self sacrifice in support of the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost in its world-wide charity and helpfulness we are printing this tribute from our Propagation friends in Britain. We only wish this high praise were more fully deserved.*

Readers of The Lamp, who have for so long shown such practical sympathy in the work of Chaldean rescue and reconstruction inaugurated by M. the Abbe Naayem, the Chaldean Priest, will be interested to hear that one of the first things the Abbe did when he arrived in London, was to report at the Propagation of the Faith Office, 59 Eccleston Square, S. W. I., the great kindness and encouragement afforded him during his long stay in the U. S. A., by that Friend of all Missionaries, The Lamp. He said he could never be grateful enough.

It has been, thanks to our distinguished contemporary, that his British friends had been enabled to keep in touch with the Abbe Naayem's efforts in the States to enlist help for his work, for the pages constantly devoted to the Chaldean Mission in The Lamp have thrown much light on the progress its representative has made in America.

"Yes, indeed," said the Abbe, in answer to an English Journalist, eager to hear of his experiences (and it was obvious that The Lamp's help stood first and foremost among these): "I cannot tell you how much I owe to the goodness of the Editor in so constantly furthering my work in his columns. Had it not been for The Lamp and its invaluable help, the Chaldean mission would never have got known in the U. S. A. But thanks to the steady sympathy and valuable publicity given by this great American journal, my work has won many friends in the States. I simply cannot be grateful enough for its support!"

Perhaps M. the Abbe was himself the best proof of what The Lamp has effected, for it has done as much for the Missionary himself as for his work. When he left England three years ago to plead for his persecuted people in Mesopotamia, their Priest was depressed and saddened, nay, almost woe-begone in his aspect, so cruelly had he suffered for his cherished flock. Now he looks another man, and is full of hope and courage. Everyone who has read that poignant record, *Shall This Nation Die?* of the author's terrible sufferings at the hands of the Turks in Mesopotamia, could hardly be surprised if they had left their victim a wreck. Ill and worn, the Chaldean Priest foresaw but a gloomy prospect before him, as he thought on the piteous plight of his poor people in the Mission he only left to save it further afield. He got a hearing indeed at the Propagation of the Faith office, from its kind and sympathetic Director, Canon Francis Ross, but the big world of London troubled little about the sufferings of such far-off victims of the war, there were too many nearer at hand.

In his need, Father Naayem turned towards that New World, where no good cause ever pleads in vain, and he found the reports he had heard of American Catholics' generosity, were not in the least exaggerated. But he needed above all a 'friend at court' to introduce him—and that friend he found at The Lamp office. If ever a Mission had reason to bless a journal, the Chaldean Mission has good cause to be thankful to the Graymoor Friars who saved the situation, and forced the Chaldean Catholics need to the front with a perseverance and compassion that were apostolic.

One had often heard of the immense missionary beneficence of our Graymoor contemporary, and readers afar had cast more than one glance of mingled gratitude and amazement at the page that records the alms disbursed month after month on behalf of the often starving missions that turned to it for material succor. By a glorious paradox—one only meets with such in the Church—the clients of the Poor Man of Assisi, vowed to poverty themselves, have helped by their generous labours to enrich hundreds of needy missions, and if St. Francis is the Saint of Poverty for his own, he has certainly brought alms to those who need them so acutely. Nor let St. Anthony's active help be forgotten!

The Lamp proved itself the friend of Chaldea, just as it has been for so many other centres of need all the world over, and how many grateful hearts have cause to bless its kindly administrations, none but the Angels surely know?

Like a star of hope shining from afar, The Lamp's light irradiates many a humble mission in the African swamp or the Indian jungle; casts its radiance over far-off Chinese chapels as a friendly sign of hope, and shines out even to the furthest southern seas—a very beacon of gladness to those island-missions. What wonder then if its light be seen by its British friends—and be fully appreciated by the Propagation of the Faith workers? At the A. P. F. office, 59 Eccleston Square, London, The Lamp is a favorite journal; small wonder perhaps, considering how much one may read about the Missions for which the Association for the Propagation of the Faith is so busy collecting alms. We have always cherished the kindliest feelings for our gallant American Allies in the missionary cause, to those of Graymoor, we send out not only the most cordial of greetings, but the heartiest of *"thank you's"* for the innumerable kindnesses shown by The Lamp to our friends in the Foreign Missions. Long may it continue its noble efforts!

An A. P. F. Worker

## MRS. MILROY OF CLEVELAND WINS THE PRIZE

A year ago "Aunt Helen" offered a prize for the one who should guess closest to the actual number of Pagan Babies ransomed through the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost during 1923.

The Editor announces herewith that Mrs. D. F. Milroy of East Cleveland, Ohio, has proven the best guesser and to her belongs the prize. She was the purchaser of two Chinese babies, which entitled her to ten guesses. The actual number of babies purchased was 467 and Mrs. Milroy's guess was the closest to that figure.

We have accordingly sent to Mrs. Milroy a Statuette, which is a miniature reproduction of the famous Bambino of Ara Coeli in Rome. We are sorry it was a grown-up who got the prize but probably Mrs. Milroy was proxy for a baby boy or girl who could not very well do the guessing.

Her closest competitor was Joseph Rath of Lorain, Ohio, and although Aunt Helen did not promise a second prize we are sending Master Joseph a picture of Our Lady of the Atonement with the Infant Jesus in her arms, nicely framed and ready to be hung on the wall beside his bed.

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## AUNT HELEN'S LETTER

*My dear Boys and Girls:*

*Happy New Year! A most happy and prosperous year, spiritually and materially, to every boy and girl member of the H. C. A., to every promoter and benefactor; to Reverend Father Paul, editor of The Lamp and his staff and to the entire Graymoor community! Last, but not least, a most fruitful and blessed year to our Catholic missioners, everywhere, and let us resolve at the beginning of 1924, that not only will we WISH them a happy year, but that we will do our utmost to make this expression of good will a splendid reality. In no small measure is the happiness and progress of our missionaries dependent upon our individual efforts.*

*We know, of course, that we can do nothing worthwhile without the inspiration and help of Divine Providence and we know also, that it is for the glory of God that mission Priests and Sisters spend themselves in the brambles and stony fields of paganism, to save souls.*

*Our part in mission work is to furnish the actual workers with means to carry on. Since the World War Catholic missions are in a much worse condition financially, than ever before. They must depend almost entirely on the charity of the United States.*

*When we consider the millions of dollars America furnishes on short notice for any and all philanthropic purposes, it is indeed difficult to understand just why the urgent appeals of our missionaries go unheeded by those who should feel the deepest solicitude for Catholic mission activities. Let us hope some day—God speed the day!—every Catholic parish will be called upon to furnish its quota for the support of the missions, which would mean adequate assistance for all and no one the poorer fo rgiving it.* (Hear, hear! Ed. L.)

*As announced, the Guessing Contest closed on Dec. 3rd. The number of pagan babies ransomed from Jan. 1st to that date was 467 and Father Paul, Editor of* THE LAMP *and President of the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost has announced above the winner of the Prize, Mrs. Milroy. We ask her to accept hearty cogratulations with the hope that she will always remain a friend of the pagan children. We are grateful to all who sent in guesses, and though but one could be successful in the contest, we firmly believe a heavenly prize awaits all who ransom a pagan child. Many new members have been added to the 1923 enrollment and this encouraging sign of missionary interest among our Catholic young folk, seems to promise a steady increase during the present year.*

*Let this be the slogan for 1924: "I will do MY part."*

AUNT HELEN

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**St. Joseph's Mission School, Roswell, O.:** "Dear Aunt Helen: I am sure you will be pleased to know that no less than thirty-one nieces and nephews have been added to your list. The fifth and sixth grades, numbering about twenty-eight, have organized a mission club under the imposing title of "St. Anthony's Willing Workers." Thanks to the earnest invocation of our patron, we managed to secure enough to buy a Chinese baby, just in time to enter the Guessing Contest. The other grades, not to be outdone, are also sending their contributions. We wisn the babies to be named Joseph, Lillian and Bernardine. Perhaps you would like to hear how we earned the money for our babies. We turned one corner of the schoolroom into a candy store, which was liberally patronized not only by our own children, but even by the public school children. On Friday afternoons St. Anthony's Willing Workers are busy making dresses for a Chinese orphanage and cutting cancelled postage stamps. Perhaps you will be kind enough to explain just how these stamps are useful to the cause of the missions. The children are very curious on this point. During the past month the children have been preparing a crib in their hearts for the Divine Babe and as a Christmas offering they are going to give Him the soul of a ransomed pagan child."

**How grateful Catholic parents should be that their children can receive their education in an atmosphere such as that of St. Joseph's Mission School. With a zealous leader, what splendid results have been obtained. May God bless and prosper these good Sisters of the Atonement and their pupils.**

**Miss A. J. M., Roxbury, Mass.:** "Enclosed you will find a money order for seven dollars and sixty cent. Five dollars of this is my Christmas gift to the Infant Jesus. I would like this baby called Joseph Ignatius, after these two great saints. Twenty-five cents is for my subscription to the H. C. Annals. I am enclosing a list of fifty-four new members, and $2.35 dues."

**The mission club of Miss A. J. M. now numbers about two hundred and fifty members and is carried on in a very business-like manner. This zealous promoter believes (and we agree with her) that the interest of the children is easier to hold if the dues are collected regularly each month. We believe this club has fine prospects.**

**Master James Z. Farley, Melrose, Mass.,** sent a special delivery letter with five dollars and five guesses for a Mary Cardias which arrived just in the "nick of time," to enter the contest."

**Mrs. G. L. H., Englewood, N. Y.:** "Please find enclosed $5.50 to purchase a baby to be named Marie Dolorosa and fifty cents due for Nick, Lucile, Rita and Lawrence Hardy. We made most of the money by getting chances on a home made pie, at five cents a chance."

**Mrs A. M. F., Camden, N. Y.:** "For some time we have been reading in The Lamp about the H. C. A. and my three boys would like to become members. Their names are Theron Albert, George Leo and Almon Gerard. These boys saved ten dollars between last Lent to ransom two babies and now want to send fifteen dollars to ransom three babies as a Christmas gift to the Infant Jesus. I also have three babies in heaven, Harold, Arthur and Robert Paul, whom I wish to enroll in the H. C. A. You will find enclosed a check for $15.75, the seventy-five cents for dues. Each boy is sending a separate sheet of paper with names and guesses as they would like to enter the contest. Please name the babies Helen, Agnes and May. God bless your efforts on behalf of the poor little pagan babies."

**Mrs. M. R. L., Brooklyn, N. Y.:** "My little ones, Neeson, aged eleven years and Rosemary, aged eight years were enrolled in the H. C. A. shortly after their births. Recently, however we have neglected dues and everything else, so now we are making resolves to do better in the future. The children are enclosing daddy's check for twelve dollars, with which to buy two Chinese babies, a boy, to be named Ambrose and a girl to be named Theresa. The other two dollars is to pay up back dues, etc. This amount has all been saved by pennies and we hope soon to buy another baby. We enclose five guesses for each child."

## A BANDIT'S SALVATION

*Johanna Barry*

EDITOR'S FOREWORD: *The author of the story which follows accompanied the manuscript with the following lines: "I am sending you a story I wrote some time ago in thanksgiving for a favor obtained through Our Lady. I hope you will find it worthy of publication in* THE LAMP. *As a tribute to the "Memorare" we are happy to do so.*

From its lofty turret, the bell announced to the Faithful, the hour of Benediction; lights streamed from the windows of the vast cathedral; crowds of people hurried in to pledge, anew, their fealty to their Eucharistic King and to receive His blessing. Very closely, the man, who crouched within the shadow of one of the pillars near the doorway, watched the throng of worshippers as they passed in. Frequently, his nervous fingers clutched at the revolver that was hidden in his pocket. In a few moments, the sublime strains of the "O Salutaris" were mingling with the discordant noises of the city street. The hymn was scarcely finished when the bandit sprang forward and seized a young girl who was about to enter the sacred edifice.

"Be quiet or I'll kill you" he ordered as he pointed his weapon at her.

Greatly terrified, the girl obeyed his command and he immediately proceeded to strip her of the few jewels she wore.

"Never was it known that any one who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy intercession, was left unaided."

Though very low, the whispered words could be distinctly heard. Agnes Vincent was appealing to the Mother for assistance. Suddenly, the stolen trinkets were thrust into her hand. "Take them, child," said the highwayman, with an effort to steady his voice. I couldn't do wrong in the face of that prayer. When you go in there, remember me. May be, it aint too late yet." Then, he vanished in the darkness.

As she knelt before the altar-throne of the Saviour, shortly after, it all seemed to the girl like an evil dream. Only the fact, that she still clasped her jewels tightly in her hand, convinced her that the strange incident had really happened. She shuddered as she recalled the white, emaciated countenance and the burning eyes of the wretched man. But when she remembered his request, her soul was filled with compassion and she offered for him a fervent "Memorare."

For hours, Paul Kingsley wandered through the

streets of the city. Gradually, the crowds began to dwindle. The confusion subsided somewhat. People repaired to their respective homes to seek rest. His own pain-racked body cried out for a few moments respite, but the Demon that held him in its clutches refused even that. The valuables, he had in his possession earlier in the evening, would have purchased for him temporary relief. But, between him and the commission of that theft a memory had stood, a memory that had been awakened by the prayer that the girl had uttered, and he would not dishonor it.

Just before midnight, he paused on the bridge that spanned the lake and looked out over the blue, tranquil waters. The lights of an out-going vessel gleamed in the distance. In a few days it would touch shore again. Would that he were certain that his soul would find a safe haven as soon. He took out his revolver and toyed with it. Thousands had sought relief in death. "Why should not he?" The tortures of Hell could hardly exceed those he was now experiencing. "Ah, but the tortures of Hell are eternal!"

"Never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy intercession was left unaided." Over and over, like a familiar refrain ,the words repeated themselves. Obedient to a sudden impulse, the man flung the weapon over the railing of the bridge. The waters closed over it. That temptation was banished forever. His soul was, now, in Our Blessed Mother's keeping. An officer of the law sternly bade him to "move on," and he began again his lonely tramp through the darkness. Suddenly, he was confronted by huge glaring lights. There was a strange rumbling noise, followed by a moment or two of excruciating pain and then merciful oblivion.

Slowly, conciousness returned to Paul Kingsley. "No—no, I cannot recall the rest of it. The cursed drug has stolen my memory," he moaned.

"Perhaps I can help you", said a gentle voice.

His eyes slowly opened. "Where am I," he asked in bewilderment.

"In the Mercy Hospital. You were brought here last night after being struck by an automobile."

The man looked up and beheld a Sister of Mercy standing at his bedside.

"Did you speak a moment ago," he questioned, "or was it only a dream?"

"Yes," she replied, "I spoke to you. I was trying to make you understand that I would help you to remember the 'Memorare' if you wished me to."

A joyful light crept into his dark eyes.

"The 'Memorare,' yes, that's the prayer, she said. Show me how to say it, Sister, for I've forgotten."

In fervent, faltering tones, he repeated the beautiful petition after his nurse. Gratefully, he received the cooling draught, she gave him; when it was finished, he said:

"The 'Memorare' was the last prayer my mother said before she died. I was only a boy then. She knew the dangers I'd have to face and she offered it for my salvation. I was soon led astray after she was gone. It was easy for me to follow the downward path for my father pointed the way. He was the first to place in my hands the drug that has sapped my manhood. Many times I've wanted to begin over again but I didn't have the strength. Last night, for the first time in years, I heard the 'Memorare' and I thought of my mother again. I feel sure, now, that her last prayer for me was not in vain. It saved me from suicide and it brought me here that I might not die without the grace of the Sacraments. I wont be here long, Sister, so send for the priest. My sins are great, but I know God will be merciful for His Mother will plead my cause."

Shortly after, the prodigal's soul was purged by the blood of Christ and he was given the Bread of Life to fortify him on his last journey. His intense suffering made it difficult for him to concentrate his thoughts on prayer but his trust in Our Blessed Lady never wavered. Frequently, he called upon her to supply his want of devotion.

Just as the shades of evening were beginning again to fall over the great city, Paul Kingsley's soul winged its flight to its eternal home. The 'Memorare' had procured a bandit's Salvation.

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## THE GLORY OF THE FIGHT

Lord, I am spent and weary,
  My work is of little worth,
The darkness and silence mock me,
  And chain my soul to earth;
Yet, Lord, I hear Thee calling,
  Thy touch on my eyes gives light
To see, through the mists of failure
  The glory of the fight!

What if I fail or conquer,
  The end not mine to know,
So that I find and follow
  The Lord who loves me so?
What if hell yawn beside me?
  If death press close in the night?
Life, not death, is our guerdon
  If we fight—and fight—and fight!

The day may go against me,
  The night may bring defeat,
My wounds are many and grievous,
  And still the fight is sweet;
The shadows close about me,
  Thou makest the shadows light
With peace in the heart of conflict,
  The glory of the fight!

CARL FAY

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The Secretary of the Bishop of Tacambaro, Mexico, under date of October 31st, communicated to the Editor of The Lamp that the Right Reverend Bishop of that Diocese would apply the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on one of the days of the Octave for the intention of Catholic Unity, and that he would order the prayers of the Octave to be said all over his Diocese.

# St. Anthony's Corner

## PURCHASE ST. ANTHONY'S STAMPS TO HELP SUPPORT ST. JOHN'S ATONEMENT COLLEGE

**Lovers of St. Anthony can help educate young men in St. John's Atonement College for the priesthood by purchasing S. A. G. stamps at a penny apiece from the Graymoor Friars. Order in sheets of twenty-five, fifty or a hundred.**

## CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FARM DEBT

We again submit the Treasurer's Report of contributions towards wiping out the debt that still hangs over St. Anthony's Industrial Farm.

We are very grateful for these donations, and we hope MORE of the Clients of St. Anthony will take an interest in our efforts to liquidate the debt, so that each month during 1924 we shall be able to report a MATERIAL GAIN over the Contributions of the preceding month.

Previously reported: $261.50. Mrs. K. H., $1; M. S., $1; Mrs. K. H., $1; Miss C. A. C., $5; Mrs. J. G., $4; Mrs. W. D., $5; Mrs. L. E., $1; Mrs. G., $2.50; A. G. D., $1; Mrs. A. D., $5; Mrs. H., $1; J. G., $5; Total: $32.50. Grand Total: $294.00.

**R. K. C., Lake George:** "Enclosed please find an offering ($31.50) for Saint Anthony's Bread Fund for favors received through his intercession."

**E. F., Los Angeles, Calif.:** "Enclosed find money order for seven dollars which I promised St. Anthony if a law suit was settled without going to court. Thanks to Our Lady of the Atonement and St. Anthony I have never heard from the party. A friend of mine also wishes to express his gratitude to St. Anthony for a favor."

**Saint Anthony's Rock on the Mount of the Atonement**

### St. Anthony A "Fine Real Estate Agent"

**P. McL., E. Cleveland, Ohio:** "Enclosed please find check for one hundred dollars for a Life Membership in the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost. This is in thanksgiving for property St. Anthoy sold for us. We have discovered he is a fine real estate agent, and we have decided to do all business through him."

## THANKSGIVINGS RENDERED FOR FAVORS RECEIVED THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF SAINT ANTHONY

**Mrs. G. R., Wis.:** "It is with a heart overflowing with gratitude that I write to tell you of the wonderful results obtained through the prayers of the Friars of the Atonement to the Great Wonder Worker of Padua. My husband has been received into the Catholic Church, having received the Sacraments six weeks ago, and since then is a different man. Words fail to express fully how I appreciate this spiritual favor which I long desired. I enclose a check for Ten Dollars to be used for the poor of St. Anthony, and shall remember you all in my prayer."

**Mrs. A. L., Cleveland, O.:** "Enclosed please find an offering which I promised St. Anthony if my request was granted. Thanks to this good Saint it has been, and my husband is now entirely well and back at his position."

**Mrs. D. M., New Bedford, Mass.:** "My husband who is a non-Catholic was taken ill, and he feared he would never get well enough to work again. I started a Novena to the great St. Anthony to hear my petition, if it was the most sweet will of God. Now I am sending this offering in grateful appreciation, for this request being fully granted to me. My husband is entirely well and working steadily. Thanks to the Sacred Heart and our never failing friend "Anthony".

**Miss A. K., New York:** "Many thanks to St. Anthony for assisting me in finding my purse containing a large sum of money. The enclosed offering to be used for St. Anthony's Bread Fund, to which I promise to contribute frequently for the granting of this favor."

**Mrs. C. G., Fort Wayne, Ind.:** "Many thanks to the good Friars and Sisters of the Atonement for the prayers offered for my intention during the Novena to St. Anthony, for my favor has been granted for which I can hardly express my gratitude. My husband has been successful in securing a very fine permanent position."

**Mrs. W. R., New York:** "Enclosed please find a thank offering to St. Anthony which I promised if my son would recover his bicycle which was taken one night."

W. R. McQ., of St. Louis, in sending Five Dollars as an offering to St. Anthony for a favor received offers a suggestion. He says: **"Can you not allot a space in The Lamp for the directing of mail to the proper place so that Readers will know where to send their offerings, petitions, etc. Take for instance the Altar Supply Fund: Who handles this? Who handles the contributions for St. Anthony's Bread Fund? I understand there is a Perpetual Novena in force somewhere around Garrison, N. Y., by the Sisters of the Last Resort. Who is the proper party to address to get in touch with them?"**

Our answer is: Address all communications and contributions intended for the Novena of Our Lady of the Atonement to the Sisters of the Atonement; all contributions to Missions should be addressed to the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost; Renewals of Lamp Subscriptions to The Lamp; contributions to St. Anthony's Bread Fund, to the Friars of the Atonement. The Post Office address in each case should be Graymoor, Garrison, N. Y.

If you are in doubt just where to send your offering, address it either to the Friars of the Atonement or the Sisters of the Atonement, and it will be taken care of in either case according to your wish.

**Mrs. K. L. H., New York City:** "Enclosed you will please find money to be used in Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart, Saint Anthony and the Poor Souls for favors received—especially the sale of my house, for which I promised a mention in the Lamp. Would like the money used as follows: $50.00 to buy ten Chinese babes; $5.00 for St. Anthony's Bread and $5.00 for Masses for the Poor Souls."

**Mrs. I. B., Chicago, Ills.** "Enclosed you will find check for $25.00 I promised to Saint Anthony if we made a successful business deal. This offering is for his poor. Saint Anthony has never failed me."

**Miss H. C. J., Indianapolis, Ind.:** "My sister and I wished to sell a piano. We advertised it several times in the daily papers, also, a weekly Catholic paper, but did not receive one call. We then started a Novena to Saint Anthony and promised an offering and publication in The Lamp if this favor was granted us. The Novena had hardly ended when a gentleman called over the telephone one evening asking about the piano which he heard we had for sale. He bought the piano, thanks to Saint Anthony."

**Mrs. R. S. B., Warrensville, Ohio:** "We are again sending a donation of five dollars to the St. Anthony fund. Through prayers to St. Anthony we gained that which we desired and needed very, very much—permanent work for my husband. We have been richly endowed with blessings through our prayers to our patron St. Anthony."

**Miss E. M. D., Hermosa Beach, Cal.:** "Enclosed find check for seven dollars, two dollars for renewal of my subscription to The Lamp and five dollars for the missions in thanksgiving to St. Anthony for a favor granted. I have not subscribed to the Lamp for some time. Several months ago I lost a ring—an heirloom belonging to a friend—in the hay of the barn, and after searching for a long time after feeling it slip off my finger, I gave up as I knew St. Anthony would be the only means of finding it, if it ever was found. I promised if I found the ring to again subscribe to The Lamp and send five dollars as a thank-offering. After all these months, while raking an entirely different part of the barn, I saw it lying in the dirt."

## KING EDWARD SAID TO HAVE DIED A CATHOLIC

(Special Cable Dispatch to The World)

London.—Protestant England is greatly agitated by strange and persistent reports crediting King Edward not only with having had leanings toward Catholicism but actually having died in that faith. Various circumstances gave color to the reports. There is no doubt that he steadfastly declined in his last illness to see the (Protestant) Archbishop of Canterbury. That prelate meets this comment with the retort that he never asked to see the King. He unquestionably tells the literal truth, but the fact remains that each time the Archbishop called at the palace word was carried to the King, but he took no notice of it.

Now, the "Tablet," a highly conservative and cautious organ of English Catholicism, without admitting or denying its accuracy, refers to another report that a well known clergyman was seen emerging from Buckingham Palace the day the King died, and that he was followed to the Jesuit presbytery in Farm street. That so eminently discreet a paper as the "Tablet" should thus give countenance to a story that Father Bernard Vaughan, S. J., probably was with King Edward in his dying hours, while the King did not see the Archbishop of Canterbury, strikes the public as a remarkable circumstance, even though the King was known to have a strong personal liking for Father Vaughan.

Other circumstances contribute to invest with plausibility the suggestion that King Edward had Catholic leanings. The last place he visited before leaving Biarritz for England was the marvelous grotto at Lourdes. He passed the night at Pau, the motor trip from Biarritz and back being too long for a single day's excursion in his then weakened state of health.

He motored from Pau to Lourdes, where he was received by the Bishop and Catholic clergy in charge of the grotto. The local papers reported that the clergy were much impressed by the reverent attitude of England's Protestant sovereign.

Another incident that has now come to light helps as to the King's Catholic faith. It is said, on what seems to be excellent authority, that on the Thursday preceding his death the King was visited by a throat specialist who, in order to facilitate his examination, asked him to loosen his collar so as to leave the breast free.

The King reluctantly permitted his chest to be bared for that purpose. As he did so the doctor and attendants saw around his neck a scapular. All being Protestants, they did not at first recognize it, but in speaking of it to others, they learned that it was a scapular such as is worn by devout Catholics. It had been sent to the king by a nun and had been worn by him for a considerable time.

## SIN NO MORE

My son, hast thou sinned? do so no more: but for thy former sins also pray that they may be forgiven thee.

Flee from sins as from the face of a serpent; for if thou comest near them, they will take hold of thee.

The teeth thereof are the teeth of a lion, killing the souls of men. Ecclesiasticus.

# January Letter To Rosarians

*Beloved Sons and Daughters of the Atonement: One thought is uppermost in my mind as I address to you my Monthly Letter, and that is the Silver Jubilee which we are celebrating with so much happiness at Graymoor just now.*

*A quarter of a century has rolled by since that eventful day when Mother Lurana Mary Francis, thinking, no doubt of the journey which the Blessed Virgin made into the hill country of Judea to visit her cousin Elizabeth, came for the first time into the Highlands of Graymoor to establish here that Religious Foundation, in preparation for which she had twice crossed the Atlantic, knelt at the tomb of the Apostles in Rome, and visited Assisi, the birthplace of Franciscanism. She wore on that occasion a brown habit with which she had been clothed some months previously in the Convent of the Sisters of Bethany, Lloyd Square, London. Her heart throbbed with that supernatural gladness which only the Holy Spirit of God can infuse into the soul of a consecrated Servant of God, who has echoed the words that first fell from the lips of the Immaculate Virgin: "Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it done unto me according to Thy Word."*

*Very glorious and wonderful promises had already been made to this elect Daughter of Mary, promises of fecundity and blessing, and it was in the strong confidence of their fulfillment that she faced all the dangers, privations, and sufferings to which she would be inevitably exposed, and took up her abode without a tremor in a ram-shackle house in a place so solitary that it resembled the desert in which St. John the Baptist dwelt alone with God, except that there was an abundance of snow, something to which the Baptist was a stranger.*

*The Twenty-Five years that have intervened since that memorable day have been a record of the unfailing Providence of Almighty God, of His fidelity and support amidst trials innumerable and crosses without number, and yet as we celebrate this Silver Jubilee, we already behold the fulfilment in considerable measure of the Covenant Promise: "Blessing, I will bless thee, and multiplying, I will multiply thee."*

*The Mother House at Graymoor has already given birth to six branch houses occupied by the Sisters of the Atonement, and other foundations in the near future are in prospect. The original Convent Building in the summer of 1899 has been four times enlarged; a Novitiate Building, a house for Tertiary Sisters, the Guest House for Visitors have been added to the Graymoor Portiuncula, until now the Community in its expansion constitutes a little village by itself; while upon the summit of the Mount of the Atonement is a yet larger group of buildings, occupied by the Friars of the Atonement; a College full of students for the Priesthood, a Novitiate building, with twenty-one occupants, and some fifty lay instructors, clerks, artisans, and workmen, all of whom owe their presence on the Mount of the Atonement to the first coming of Mother Lurana to Graymoor.*

*As a river cannot exist without its source, so all that centers at Graymoor today, and all the influence that goes out from it, reaching the furthermost Missionary outposts of the Catholic Church, can be traced to their beginning in that important event which we now commemorate by our Graymoor Silver Jubilee.*

**Our Lady's Shrine in Convent Chapel**

*As I stand on the watch tower that crowns the summit of the Mount of the Atonement and look forward into the next Quarter of a Century from the threshold of the present Silver Jubilee; I see more and more fulfilled in prophetic vision the daily prayer which we recite at Graymoor, that the Sons and Daughters of the Atonement may become Missionaries* IN ALL LANDS.

*We are very proud of our spiritual ancestry, tracing our lineage back in the Seraphic Family to Saint Francis, the Patriarch of Assisi.*

*In his Litany, St. Francis is called "the Abraham of the New Law by reason of his numerous posterity." Very fruitful during the past seven hundred years has been the Seraphic Vine, of which St. Francis himself is the root and stock. Its branches are found in all lands, and the scions thereof are numbered by the millions.*

*Fecundity and power of increase are blessings which descend down through the ages from our Holy Father Francis to his Spiritual Offspring; and although the Graymoor Branch of the Seraphic Family is the very youngest among the ramifications of the Franciscan Vine, we at Graymoor have no doubt that it is destined*

*to attain to a wonderful growth, extending itself into all lands.*

*I wonder to what extent our Rosarians consider themselves part and parcel of the Graymoor Branch of the Franciscan Vine? I don't know how I shall learn the answer to the query unless the Rosarians reveal their mind to the Friars, or Sisters, when they have occasion to write to Graymoor, as thousands of your number are accustomed to do, when you ask to be prayed for in the Novenas to Our Lady and St. Anthony. Personally, I think of the Members of the Rosary League and the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost as Associates of the Society of the Atonement and, therefore, spiritually one with us in our Atonement Family. The Active Members of the U. N. B. L. we can actually number because our card file shows just how many contribute to the manifold objects of the Union every year, but we have no means of knowing how many recite daily "the Common Prayers of the Children of the Atonement."*

*If I could be as sure that there were as many Rosarians who recited the Daily Prayers provided for in the Rosary League Manual, together with a Decade of the Rosary every day for the Intentions of the Society of the Atonement, as there are Members of the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost that contribute something annually to Graymoor and its Missionary Activities, my joy in celebrating Graymoor's Silver Jubilee would be greatly increased.*

*You will remember how when the men of Judea dwelt as captives in Babylon, Daniel three times every day opened his window towards Jerusalem and said his prayers with his face turned towards the place where the Temple of Solomon once stood. Thus he gave evidence that he had not forgotten in the land of captivity that he was still one of the chosen people of God.*

*If I knew that every morning when our Rosarians arose from their beds they knelt before the Crucifix and the picture or statue of Our Lady and recited "the Common Prayers of the Children of the Atonement" I would need no better evidence that they in deed and in truth, realized, and appreciated, that they belonged to the same Atonement Family as the Friars and Sisters at Graymoor.*

PAUL JAMES FRANCIS, S. A.,
*Spiritual Director.*

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## "THE OTHER SHEEP"

Oh Maiden Mother of Our dear Redeemer,
Thou art the Golden Gate
Thro' which the Light of everlasting day
Beams forth upon this sin-worn world,
Look down with pity
On those "Other Sheep,"
Who shepherdless or with false guides
Are tempest-tossed on this sad sea of life.
Be Thou the Morning Star
To light their darksome ways,
And guide their wandering foot-steps
Back to that One Fold
Whose Great White Shepherd
Is Our Saviour and Thy Son.—*Selected.*

## THANKSGIVINGS RENDERED FOR FAVORS RECEIVED THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF OUR LADY OF THE ATONEMENT

**E. B., Phiadelphia, Pa.:** "My petitions were granted in a different way which was altogether satisfactory."

**A Mother, New York:** "One of my daughters of whom I was in great despair has come back to God and she asked me to give this money to Our Lady of the Atonement and St. Anthony in thanksgiving."

**E. E., Somerville, Mass.:** "Last September my nephew and I made the Novena of Last Resort, asking for permanent work for him. Almost immediately he obtained a very good position. In gratitude to God and Our Lady of the Atonement he sends you the enclosed offering."

**Mrs. A. W., St. Louis, Mo.:** "The miracle has happened. I made the Novena with you beginning on the first Saturday of this month; during the past week we have been completely reconciled and now I am only worrying that my thanksgiving won't be fervent enough. When you make your next Novena I will join you in thanking Our dear Lord for His goodness."

**M. F., San Diego ,Cal.:** "We hoped and prayed that my brother would get the custody of his two children. Our prayers have been answered. We certainly have a great deal to be thankful for."

**Mrs. N. P., Boston, Mass.:** "This is the third time I have written you for favors and each time they have been granted to me. Last year it was for a brother who was seriously sick, and has recovered. Thanks to your prayers he is in good health now."

**Mrs. W. M., New York:** "I have received every request I have asked you yet—so I am coming again."

**Mrs. M. T., Rhode Island:** "Enclosed please find small donation as thanksgiving to Our Lady of the Atonement for favors granted through her intercession to Our Blessed Lord; my son has returned to his wife and promises never to go away again."

**Mrs. L. N., Jersey City, N. J.:** "Dear Sisters, in a very strange way God has heard and answered my petitions and I am very thankful to you for helping me when I needed such help. I shall certainly join in a number of Novenas, for there are often things we would like which only God can grant, so you will hear from me again very soon. Enclosed find offering in thanksgiving to Our Lady with all good wishes for the Society of the Atonement."

**A. H., Pennsylvania:** "Enclosed thank offering of five dollars which I promised if I was re-elected to my position. I also want to thank you for your prayers, as I get many favors through your Novenas to Our Lady of the Atonement."

**M. D., Iowa:** "I am very glad to tell you that my brother has secured a very good position and his former employer kept him until he was ready to make the change. We attribute his success entirely to the Novena of Our Lady and to your prayers, and thank you very sincerely. I enclose a small offering."

**L. W., Maryland:** "Enclosed please find cheque for five dollars, a thank offering for favor asked in your Novena, for the successful removal of a tumor. The operation was successful and the patient is doing fine."

**S. R., Brooklyn, N. Y.:** "Enclosed please find an offering of five dollars in thanksgiving for a favor received. My sister underwent a serious operation and is getting along nicely. Many thanks to the Sacred Heart and Our Lady of the Atonement."

**Mrs. M. B., Walbrook, Md.:** "I am writing to thank you for your prayers and Novena and to tell you that on the second day of the Novena I came across this house quite accidentally, and as it was just what we wanted, and proved to be very reasonable, before the Novena ended my husband had bought the house. I really don't know what life would be like if there were no Sisters of the Atonement to whom to appeal in time of trouble. I know it was in answer to your prayers, Our Lady of the Atonement and St. Anthony we found this house. Please publish."

**Franklin Square, L. I.:** "Enclosed you will find money order that I promised to Our Lady of the Atonement if I were cured of my ailment. Doctors claimed it was consumption. This was about six years ago. This year I was taken sick and my family doctor said that my lungs were clear. Kindly have this published in The Lamp that others will find confidence in the Sacred Heart and Our Lady of the Atonement."

**Mrs. A. J., Brooklyn, N. Y.:** "In January, 1922, I promised twenty-five dollars to Our Lady of the Atonement if I was cured without an operation. About the third month my cure was complete, thanks to the Sacred Heart, Our Lady of the Atonement, St. Joseph, St. Ann and St. Anthony. I also promised publication."

**Mrs. M. A. C., Calais, Maine:** "I am enclosing an offering in thanksgiving to our dear Lady of the Atonement and St. Anthony for favors received. My husband has got work and the way seems clear for getting our debts paid, and our health is better without the aid of a doctor or medicine, which is only a miracle. Please publish in The Lamp."

**Mrs. J. K., Norton, Conn.:** "After a long wait I hasten to thank you for your kind prayers, which no doubt have helped me, as I never expected to use my leg again. The doctor thought my case was hopeless, when I was recommended to your Novena to Our Lady of the Atonement. Now, thank God, I can walk. I cannot express my thanks for your kind prayers."

**J. J. O'B., New York City:** "I am sending you herewith check for fifteen dollars in thanksgiving for a favor received through the intercession of Our Lady of the Atonement."

**Mrs. B. C., Yonkers, N. Y.:** "I am enclosing an offering of eight dollars as thanksgiving to Our Lady of the Atonement. Last March I asked you to pray that my son and daughter get work, which they both did and gat good positions. Many thanks to the Sacred Heart, Our Blessed Mother and to you, dear Sisters, for your kind prayers. I am very grateful."

**G. W. H., New York:** "In fulfillment of my promise that, in the event of receiving an increase in salary, I would send the first month's increase to Graymoor as an offering of thanks to Our Lady of the Atonement, I take pleasure in enclosing the first fruit. I also wish to express my heart-felt thanks for your prayers in my behalf during the Novena of Last Resort, to which I ascribe the answer to my petition."

**W. K. W.:** "I am enclosing a check for twenty dollars in thanksgiving for favor received through Our Lady of the Atonement and St. Anthony."

**Client of Our Lady, Scranton, Pa.:** "I received a signal favor recently on the very day my letter was received by you, after long failure to obtain results. I will always trust in Our Lady of the Atonement, especially when all seems desperate."

**Mrs. S., California:** "I must let you know how thankful I am. The matter was settled just three days before it came up in court. I know this came about through your prayers, and I am enclosing an offering in thanksgiving."

**Mrs. O. F. R., Louisville, Ky.:** "Enclosed find offering in thanksgiving. Sometime ago I asked you to remember our intention in the Novena of Last Resort. My husband found steady employment immediately, and we have hopes of soon being out of debt."

**C. B., Indianapolis, Ind.:** "Enclosed find check to be used for the most needy cause of Our Lady of the Atonement at Graymoor. This is in thanksgiving for the fulfillment of a promise made for favor received through her intercession."

**A. M. O., Binghampton, N. Y.:** "Some time ago I asked prayers to Our Lady of the Atonement to help us sell a piece of property and promised an offering if she would help us. We have sold the property and I am enclosing offering."

**Mrs. M., Brooklyn, N. Y.:** "I want to thank the Friars and Sisters for their prayers. I asked that I would get some money business settled and get released from a bonding company. Now I am happy to tell you everything has been settled and the money was handed over to me to put in bank for the children."

**H. M. K., Philadelphia, Pa.:** "I am writing this note to ask you to please have a Novena of thanksgiving to Our Lady of the Atonement for granting me a very special favor. I will never fail, with God's help, to have a Novena made every month to Our dear Lady of the Atonement for intentions and in thanksgiving for granting me such a favor as she did."

**Mrs. J. McC.:** "Some time ago I sent you a petition for the Novena, asking you to pray that I would have a safe confinement. I am now happy to tell you that we have a lovely baby and I am getting along very well."

## ROSARY LEAGUE INTERCESSIONS

Special Intention for January

**Ut Omnes Unum Sint (That All May Be One)**

Other Intentions

Conversion to Christ and Holy Church of the One Thousand Million who are still Pagan. Conversion of all Eastern Schismatics, Anglicans and other Protestants to Catholic Unity. Conversion of the Jews. For the China, Japan, Africa and India Missions. Supplications for Priests and Religious in their sphere of service.

Spiritual Favors: 2,749. Concerning Vocations to the Religious Life or Guidance therein, 164. Happy Marriage for 141. Grace of Temperance for 352. Return to God and the Sacraments, 589. Special Intentions, 2,864. Conversion to Catholicism, 527. Conversion of Life, 523. Happy Death for 194. Repose of 200 souls. Prayers asked for 552.

Temporal Favors: 2,286. Restoration to health for 1,701. Return of Lost Articles, 57.

Financial and Industrial: Success for 848. Good Sale or Rental, 278. Financial Aid, 572. Suitable employment for 663. Thanksgivings rendered by 947.

## HAVE YOU A ROSARY LEAGUE MANUAL?

If not, order one from the Sisters of the Atonement, Graymoor, Garrison, N. Y. Price, 5c. It contains "The Common Prayers of the Children of the Atonement" and also the Novena prayers.

# A Christmas Gift for the Child Christ in the Arms of St Anthony for His Washington Vineyard.

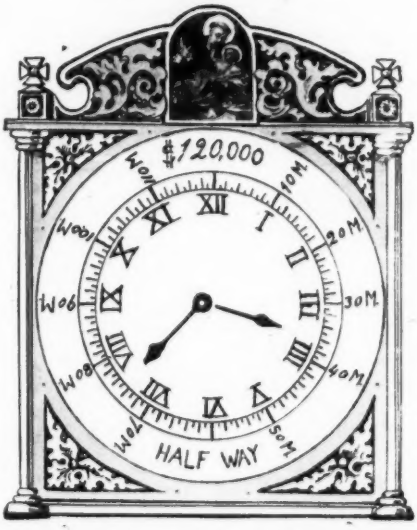
As we go to press the Christmas Gifts of our generous Lamp Readers to the Christ Child in the arms of St. Anthony for the purchase of "The Vineyard" in Washington are pouring in by every mail. The High Water Mark of this golden tide, we hope, has not yet been reached. As you will see by The Clock, the Grand Total of Offerings has now gone beyond Thirty Thousand Dollars, and the Hands of the Clock register 37 Minutes Past Three. Thus ONE QUARTER of the entire amount asked for has been subscribed. We have expressed the hope that when the full returns are in of our special Christmas appeal for "The Vineyard" the Hands of the Clock might register the hour of Six, which would represent the task half finished.

If the present daily record of contributions could be maintained until the end of January this happy consummation would be realized by the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin. It is within the power of those of our Readers who *have not yet contributed anything towards "The Vineyard" to make this possible;* and to these we now address a very heartfelt and earnest entreaty for the love of God and Our Lady to send an offering towards "The Vineyard" between now and Candlemas, (February 2nd.)

We are sure you would ALL gladly do this could you realize the anxiety of the Friars of the Atonement in regard to their obligation to meet the heavy payments as they come due on this Washington Property. Our creditors are not Catholics, and if we failed to meet the payments we very much fear that we would not only lose the property, but all the money we have already paid down for its purchase, since it is so nominated in the bond.

We really have no one to help us but our Loyal Lamp Subscribers, and to you we are compelled to look for the means to discharge the heaviest financial obligation the Society of the Atonement ever assumed. We would not have presumed to undertake the purchase of "The Vineyard" had we not believed it was God's Will, and on the assumption that in this we have not been deceived those of our Readers who contribute to Clock Number Eight must recognize themselves as servants of God executing His good pleasure.

**CLOCK NUMBER EIGHT**




**Grand Total Contributed $35,105.50**

The Friars themselves will continue to pray that everyone who gives to this worthy cause shall receive from the Almighty the richest kind of recompense, both in Time and Eternity.

### A Dollar for Every Year of Her Life

**W. J. W., Newcastle, California:** In looking over the October issue of The Lamp, St. Anthony's Clock Number Eight, page 317, I also became interested in the rather unique method adopted by several of our readers to aid in liquidating the indebtedness of the Vineyard property. My check, Sixty-Two Dollars, enclosed will be a contribution to help along St. Anthony's good work, which I am sure will be successfully accomplished within the period you have in view. St. Anthony does not forget, and to those who sincerely appeal to him, response is always made in a manner he knows best.

### One Dollar For Every Year Of Married Life

**Mrs. J. J., Newark, N. J.:** "I am enclosing Money Order for Thirty-Five Dollars for St. Anthony's Clock Number Eight. I am an old Subscriber to The Lamp. I always try to help St. Anthony. I will be married thirty-five years on Thanksgiving Day, and, therefore, I am sending the above amount, hoping that it will help you in your good work. I only wish I could do more."

**Mrs. C. H., Rhode Island:** "I was in great financial difficulty when I had recourse to St. Anthony, of whom I learned about by reading your wonderful magazine The Lamp. Before my Novena was ended things seemed a little brighter and since that time have been steadily improving so that at present writing the outlook is very promising for myself and little family. Please accept the enclosed check in thanksgiving."

**Mrs. L., New Jersey:** "Sometime ago I asked you to remember me in a Novena to St. Anthony for a safe delivery and the cure from extreme nervousness. After an illness of five years today I am in the best of health. Thanks to the Sacred Heart, Our Lady and Saint Anthony. The enclosed offering is in fulfillment of my promise if requests were granted.

## CENTRAL CATHOLIC LIBRARY, DUBLIN

*To the Editor of* THE LAMP:

*I am writing this without knowing whether my letter will reach you as the address upon it is taken from a rather old number of The Lamp. It is to beg that you will be so kind as to tell your readers about the Library described in enclosed leaflet and report, and to ask them to help us to develop. It is a great and much needed Catholic work. I would also take occasion to beg for a copy of your Review. We already get several American reviews and want to keep thoroughly in touch with America. Thanking you in anticipation.*

*Yours sincerely,*
STEPHEN J. BROWN, S. J.

A Library under the above title has been opened at 34 Westmoreland Street. It specializes in Catholic books, but the use of it is not reserved to Catholics. The Library is conducted under the patronage of his Grace the Archbishop of Dublin, by the Central Catholic Library Association, with the collaboration of the Jesuit Fathers.

## CATHOLIC MISSIONARIES TAKE NOTICE

To the Editor of The Lamp:

The Sodality of the Angels here have taken up the work of remailing magazines to Missionaries and we would be most grateful to you if you would give us the address of some missionaries, to whom we could mail English Catholic magazines.

MARY M. KNOWLES,
Convent of the Sacred Heart,
Eden Hall
Torresdale, Pa.

## A QUESTION AND THE ANSWER

*"In The Lamp of November 15th, 1923, page 329, you say:—"When Noah and his family came out of the ark, God gave to them the command: 'Increase and multiply and replenish the earth.'*

*"I have heard a Catholic Priest preaching that God never gave to men a COMMAND to 'increase and multiply,' but that He gave to men a BLESSING, saying, 'Increase and multiply.' And that Priest said, furthermore, that this blessing was analogous to the blessing that Our Divine Lord afterwards gave to the loaves and fishes on the occasions when He fed thousands with a few loaves and fishes.*

*"Was this Priest in error?"*

EDITOR'S REPLY:—Referring to the Book of Genesis we do find in Chapter Ninth the express statement that "God **blessed** Noah and his sons, and said to them, Increase and multiply, and fill the earth."

This seems to confirm the contention of the Priest that he "gave to men a **bless'ng**, saying, Increase and multiply." But to assert on the other hand that God **never** gave to man **the command** to "increase and multiply, seems to us to be contradicted by the Word of God, because in the eighth chapter of Genesis God spoke to Noah saying:

**"Go out of the ark, thou and thy wife, thy sons, and the wives of thy sons with thee. All living things that are with thee of all flesh, as well in fowls as in beasts, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, bring out with thee, and go ye upon the earth: increase and multiply upon it."**

The order that Noah received from God to go out of the ark, and to take the fowls and the creeping things with him, was evidently a command. There seems no reason to deny that what follows immediately afterwards, "increase and multiply," was also a command.

As "nature abhors a vacuum," so God seems to take no delight in sterility. Not alone has He put upon man the necessity of tilling the soil that he may eat bread, but He has enjoined upon the human family, in its corporate capacity at least, the duty of multiplication and increase in conformity with His laws.

Although virginity is specially commended by Our Lord under the New Law, it is not to be a sterile virginity. On the contrary, He promises to those that forsake wife and children for His sake, that they shall have a hundred fold more spiritual children, and in the propagation of the elect seed none so well fulfill the command, "Increase and multiply," as those who for the Kingdom of God's sake embrace the life of virginity, thereby fulfilling the words of the Psalmist: **"The barren woman has many more children than she that hath a husband."**

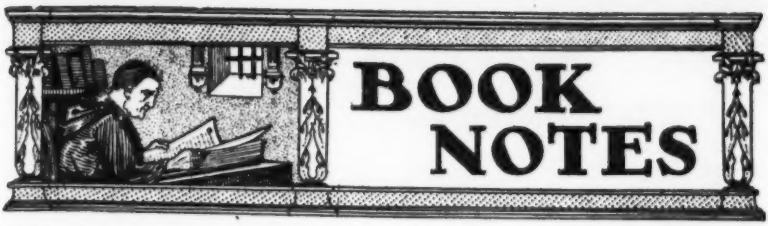
## To the Triune God

*Rev. F. A. Houck*

For Milky Way, and sun and earth,
For night and day, and land of birth,
For seas and leas, and smiling brooks,
For flocks and crops, and pleasant nooks
O Father dear, we thank Thee.

For humble birth in Juda's cave,
For ceaseless toil mankind to save,
For exile drear in Egypt-land,
For cruel death at man's own hand,
O Jesus dear, we thank Thee.

For wholesome fear of Thy just ire,
For faith to see the purging fire,
For gifts that banish sin's foul blight,
For soothing peace of heaven's light,
O Holy Ghost, we thank thee.




**Cloister and Other Poems.** By Charles O'Donnell, C. S. C. Macmillan Co., New York City. Price: $1.00.

**Verses for Various Occasions.** By Mary Christina Austin. Illustrated. N. A. T. Publishing Co., Boston. Price: 75c.

**The Practical Prayer Book.** By a Priest. D. B. Hansen & Sons, 27 N. Franklin St., Chicago. Price: $1.00 and upward.

**Draw Me After Thee, O Lord.** By a Poor Clare. D. B. Hansen & Sons, Chicago. $1.00 in morocco, $1.50 in calf.

**Going Home.** By Elizabeth Martin. H. L. Kilner & Co., Philadelphia.

**Moments Divine.** By Rev. Frederick H. Reuter, B. C. B. G., H. L. Kilner & Co., Philadelphia, $1.00 net.

CLOISTER AND OTHER POEMS. Several of the verses in this slender volume are exquisite and all are good. We especially like Immortality and cannot refrain from setting it down:

**Immortality**

I shall go down as the sun goes
Over the rim of the world—
Will there be quiet around me,
As of sunset banners furled?

I shall take flight as a bird wings
Into the infinite blue—
What if my song come ringing
Down through the stars and the dew?

I shall mount, strong as the promise
Forged in love's white, first fire—
A soul through the exquisite darkness
On pinions of desire.

VERSES FOR VARIOUS OCCASIONS, lack the charm of poetic reality—Verses they are, not poetry.

THE PRACTICAL PRAYER BOOK, in addition to the usual standard prayers, contains numerous brief explanations of the meaning and historic origin of the various ceremonies and devotions particularly in the Mass. This feature alone sets it apart from other Prayer Books and makes it an excellent volume for possible converts and for all Catholics who desire to know the reasonableness of fundamental Catholic practices.

DRAW ME AFTER THEE, O LORD. This very beautiful little Prayer Book compiled by a Poor Clare Nun, will be a real spiritual treasure to many a contemplative soul in the Cloister and in the world. It is different from any other we have ever seen, more mystical, more intimate; get it for yourself and for some Religious dear to you.

GOING HOME. This is a thrilling tale for girls on the lines of the old fashioned Sunday School library book. Doubtless there are young people who still relish that kind of literature.

MOMENTS DIVINE. A compact little volume, easily put in the pocket, of helpful devotional readings for use before the Blessed Sacrament. The plain large type is excellent for this purpose.

**The Agony of Our Lord: The Heart of His Passion and the Passion of His Heart. By J. M. Lelen, Baltimore: O'Donovan Brothers, 221 Park Avenue.**

The Agony of Our Lord in the Garden of Gethseman is one of the most difficult topics in all the range of dogmatic and ascetic theology, for it deals with the very psychology of the Soul of Jesus, God and Man. Still more than in the Crib Our Lord Jesus Christ is here "Omnipotence in bonds." To treat the subject adequately would demand a comprehension of the mystery of the Divine union and of the Blessed Trinity.

The book is a plain commentary on the narrative given to us in the Gospels. Divine through and through are

"Those Heaven drawn pictures
Of Christ, the living God;"

but when dealing with the Agony they overflow with divineness. And this precisely because the Man-God is seen here as nowhere else; nowhere is He seen so steeped in the clay of humanity; nowhere is He seen so irradiate with the splendors of His Godhead. God alone could be the Man as is Jesus in this Mystery.

Humbly, frankly, lovingly "The Agony of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Heart of His Passion and the Passion of His Heart, Viewed as a Preparation for our own agony" is hereby offered to the readers of this paper.

## PROMOTING THE CATHOLIC PRESS

The selling of subscriptions to Catholic Magazines is a work that must go on if the Catholic Press is to prosper. And for it to go on we must have capable and energetic Catholics, who are willing to make this worthy employment their means of livelihood and to devote their time and talents to it.

There are at the present a large number of splendid Catholic men and women engaged in this vitally important work. But many more are needed, and Catholics, seeking a profitable and honorable occupation, would do well to consider seriously this field of Catholic Press activities. To labor daily in the cause of the Catholic Press is certainly worthwhile and meritorious endeavor. In a sense it is missionary work and to be identified with such work is unquestionably an honor and a privilege.

As Pope Pius IX of blessed memory said: "It is the holy duty of every Catholic to support the Catholic Press and to promote it among the people." The Catholic Magazine salesman who does his work honestly and with the proper spirit is fulfilling this duty in a special way, and his efforts therefore merit for him a compensation that can not be computed in dollars and cents. He is doing God's work and is blessed accordingly.

If you are not able to give your time to this work, at least help to the extent of thinking and speaking well of those who are laboring in this cause, thereby encouraging them to greater effort.

## OUR REQUIEM MASS LIST

**The following is a list of Deceased Subscribers and Near Relatives whose deaths have been reported to us during the last month. The list is restricted to those who die within the subscription year. For them Collectively a Set of Thirty Masses will be said by a Foreign Missionary priest. The number thirty has been chosen because the custom of saying this number of Masses for the repose of a single soul is very ancient, being commonly known by the name of Gregorian Masses. Since these have proven so efficacious for the individual, a set of Thirty Masses said by one priest on thirty consecutive days must also prove efficacious, although the number of souls prayed for be many. for the power of the Holy Sacrifice is unlimited:**

Rt. Rev. Monsignor Edwin Sweeney; Rev Dennis Lague; Sister Benedicta; Mr. Jacob Dierer; Mr. Fagan; Mr. J. Vail; Mrs. Margaret O'Connor; Mrs. G. Fluehr; Mrs. Elizabeth O'Neill; Helen Daminski; Mrs. Catherine Mackey; Margaret Sheehan; Mary Dillon; Regis Young; Mrs. Susan Maitland; Henry and Julia Heimenz; E. Kegel; Mary Murray; Mrs. John Marshall; Mr. Fegan; Mary Fay; Mrs. Otto Lembach; William Bennett; David Kindley; William Schultz, Jr.; William and Grace Schultz; Timothy O'Connell; Catherine Kakely; Mrs. Margaret Cunningham; John Miller; Mr. P. Sheehan; Joseph Fernandez; Mrs. Nicholas Mendel; Fannie Surgent; Thomas Plair; Michael Connors; Ann Nolan; Joseph Landry; Mary Duff; Theresa Barrett; James Hilferty; John Taylor; Bridget Noonan; D. Murphy; Louis Kreger; Patrick Moylan; J. Wilkinson; Jeremiah O'Neill; Mrs. Ellen Lawlor; Henry Drayer; Mary Lacey; Mrs. Ellen Corkery; Louis Maurie; Mr. McLary; Mr. Thomas Griffin; Herbert Brown; Ellen Barnes; Patrick McMahon; Daniel Sullivan; Mrs. P. Martin; Mary Beals; Agnes Walsh; Mrs. John Croke; Mary Zehnder; Cornelius Sheridan; Magdalene Benz; Arthur Stolting; Mrs. Barbara Solari; Mrs. Bridget Harley; Lillian Godfrey; Mrs. Genevieve Knapp; Mrs. Bridget Boyle; Mrs. Florence O'Neill; Mrs. Theresa Bempele; John Godfrey; James and Patrick Brennan; Charles McLean; Nicholas McGraht; John McGuire; Doctor J. Fitzgerald; Mrs. J. Marshall; Mrs. Annie Hall; Mrs. Mary Campbell; Mrs. Klein; John Graham; Frank Herbert; Mrs. Mary Killer; Mrs. Elizabeth Brennan; Mrs. Medrise Beandette; Flora Giard; Mrs. Margaret Francis; Condy Gallagher; Thomas Cherwinski; Margaret For; Mary and Michael Sullivan; Annie Carroll; Loretta O'Connell; Elizabeth Hanlon; C. Conzales; Adele Caplan; Jane Bussing; Doctor M. Brady; Fannie Kelly; Mrs. M. Quirk; Elizabeth Artingstall; Margaret Healey; Bridget Cline; Owen Carroll; Mrs. Edward English; Augustine McCarthy; James Howard; Jane Sullivan; Mrs. Eiben; Mrs. Gainor; Bartholomew Shea; Catherine McDonald; Mrs. D. O'Brien; Clarence Dentan.

**Lux Perpetua Luciat Eis**

## GREGORIAN MASSES IN ST. JOSEPH'S ORATORY

Out of gratitude for the Benfactors whose generous alms have erected Saint Joseph's Novitiate on the southern slope of the Mount of the Atonement, a set of Gregorian Masses will be offered for their deceased relatives beginning on February 3rd, the day after Candlemas, in St. Joseph's Oratory, as we call the beautiful Chapel in the Novitiate Building. Those of our Readers who desire their dead to be thus remembered are asked to send in their names without delay that they may be listed for the purpose.

Contributors towards the wiping out of the balance of the debt on the Novitiate Building may also send the names of their deceased relatives along with their offering.

There will also be recited by the Novices at the same time the Thirty Day Prayer to St. Joseph on behalf of all Petitions for the living sent in by our Benefactors.

Please address all such communications to Rev. Fr. Joseph De Samber, N. S. A., St. Joseph's Novitiate, Graymoor, Garrison, N. Y.

Funeral services for the late Lord Shaughnessy, chairman of the board of directors of the Canadian Pacific Railway, were held in St. Patrick's Church, Montreal last month, with Archbishop Gauthier officiating.